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## Woman arrested on drug charges

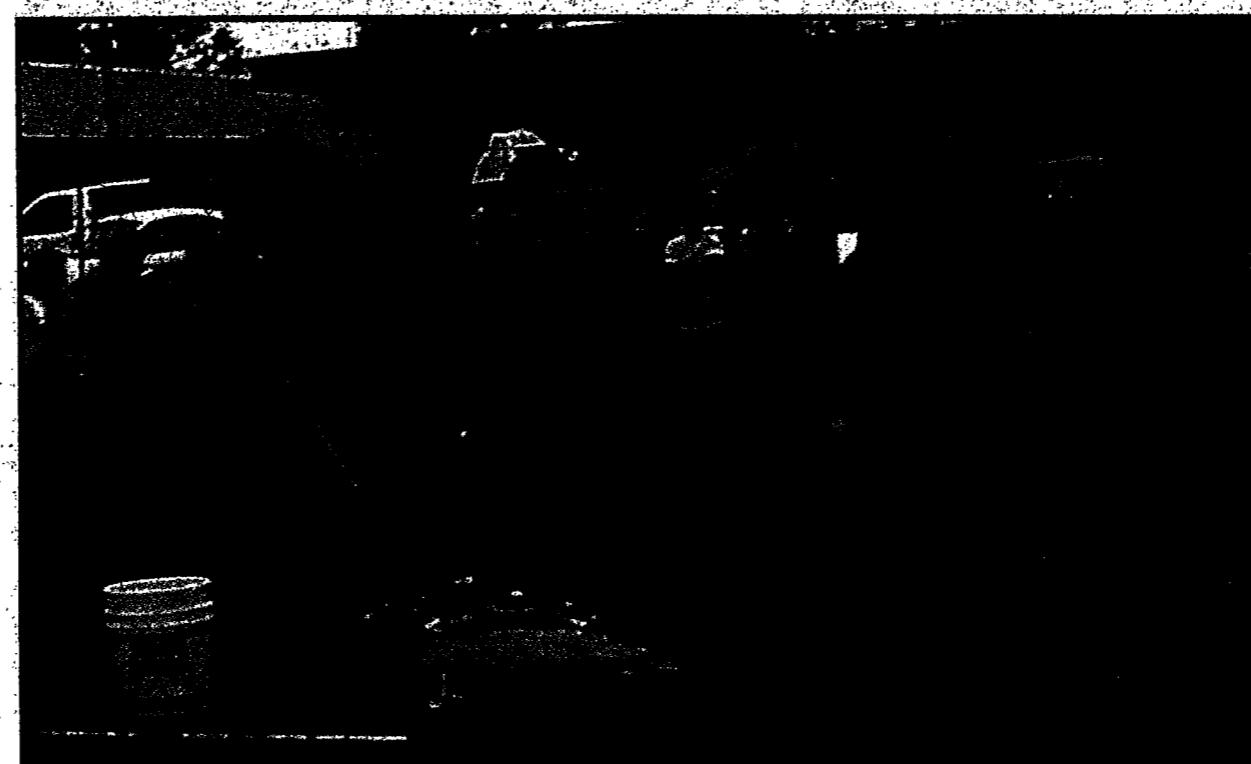
BY ED LEPOMA

Agents with Hancock County's Narcotics Task Force arrested a Texas bus passenger Thursday after she was found sitting on top of 17 pounds of marijuana.

Task Force Executive Director Shana Corr said agents Lt. Tim Broder and Deputy Abe Long boarded an Adane chartered bus about 1:45 a.m. Thursday after it broke down at the 14-mile marker in the eastbound of Interstate 10.

Corr said the agents got permission from the bus driver to make a search of the vehicle. They found Francisca R. DeLeon of Bradenton, Florida sitting on the

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### Arbor Day

Coast Electric Power Association representatives worked with the Waveland Elementary third grade class for Arbor Day, Feb. 18, where they planted a live oak tree. Rodney Beech, left foreground, talks to students while Wayne Ulrich begins planting the tree. Other Coast Electric employees who helped with the project include Kristi Logan, Keith Hoda and Melody White.

## P.A.T.H. schedules workshop

P.A.T.H. (Partners Against Tobacco use in Hancock County) is funding a series of unique workshops for youths from 12 to 17 years of age. These "Lifechoices Workshops" will allow teens a chance to discuss issues such as beliefs, values, role models, peer pressure, behaviors and making choices.

Funded through a state grant, the workshops will present information on tobacco use and the use of other legal and illegal drugs.

"However, the major goal of the workshops is to give each attendee an opportunity to examine their own values, beliefs and behaviors and where they came from," said Terry Latham, workshop coordinator.

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### Special school board election

## Waveland, outside territory to vote

BY B.R. HAWKINS

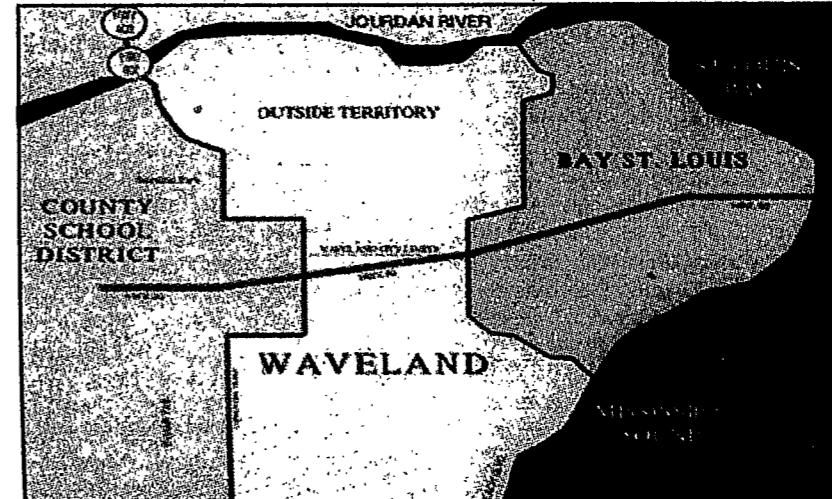
Only registered voters in Waveland and a designated area called the 'outside territory' will vote in a special election for the Bay-Waveland School Board set Saturday, March 6.

Voters in Waveland and the outside territory (shown on map) will choose among Clarence Harris, Irene Koskan, Sherry McGinity Ponder and David Turcotte in a special election to fill the unexpired term of Frank Pernicaro who resigned in November to become Hancock County's atten-

dance officer. Pernicaro's term ends February 2000.

The election will be from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Saturday, March 6, at the Waveland Elementary School. Voter rolls will be used to determine any

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Registered voters who reside within the Waveland city limits and the boundaries of the outside territory are eligible to vote in the March 6, special election.

## Public hearing set twice for Chapel Hill

BY MARY G. SEILEY

A proposed residential development at North Beach Boulevard and Highway 90 will have to go to the Planning and Zoning Commission twice, but it's drawing nothing but

praise from City Hall.

City Council member James Thriffiley, whose district includes the nine-acre tract, said Thursday the proposal will be aired at the commission's Feb. 24 meeting, as previously

advertised.

But Thriffiley also said a slight error in the public notification process occurred, and will be rectified by having the plans up for a second public hearing and action later.

City Hall mails out formal notification of pending zoning code matters to property owners within 300 feet of each property on the commission's agenda, to ensure that those most potentially impacted by a

proposed change are aware of the meeting. In addition, the city publishes legal advertisements describing the proposals, with specific identification of the parcels in question.

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## Waveland youth faces new challenges in and out of classroom

BY BETSY GAGNET

Making all As in school always came pretty naturally to Alan Jensen, a former student at Bay High School and St. Stanislaus. But, this school year has brought a lot of changes for the 17-year-old from Waveland. He is facing new challenges both in and out of the classroom.

Jensen is one of approximately 270 students attending the Mississippi School for Math and Science (MSMS) located in Columbus on the campus of the Mississippi University for Women.

The residential high school is designed to meet the needs of gifted students in grades 11 and 12. It was created in 1987 and provides students with a broad range of advanced academics, including the latest technology. The school also offers participation in academic competitions and exposure to both in-state and out-of-state colleges.

Jensen found out about MSMS through the sister of a friend of his who attended the school. But, his decision to apply was not immediate.

"I really didn't like the



idea of leaving home so early," said Jensen. "My mom and I are really close, but she was always saying, 'Well, I'm ready if you're ready.'

Jensen said his application process included an essay submission of a math or science work sample, counselor recom-

mendation and an interview. It was the visit to the campus that won him over.

"Visiting the campus, meeting the people and seeing the atmosphere really convinced us," he said.

It was not all left to him, however. Admission is understandably competitive considering that in addition to offering an innovative and advanced academic experience, there is no cost to students for tuition, room or board, which is paid for by legislative funding. On average 350 students apply and 150 are accepted.

Now in his second semester, Jensen has made new friends and has settled into his routine. But, he admits being away from home, family and friends at such a young age was an adjustment.

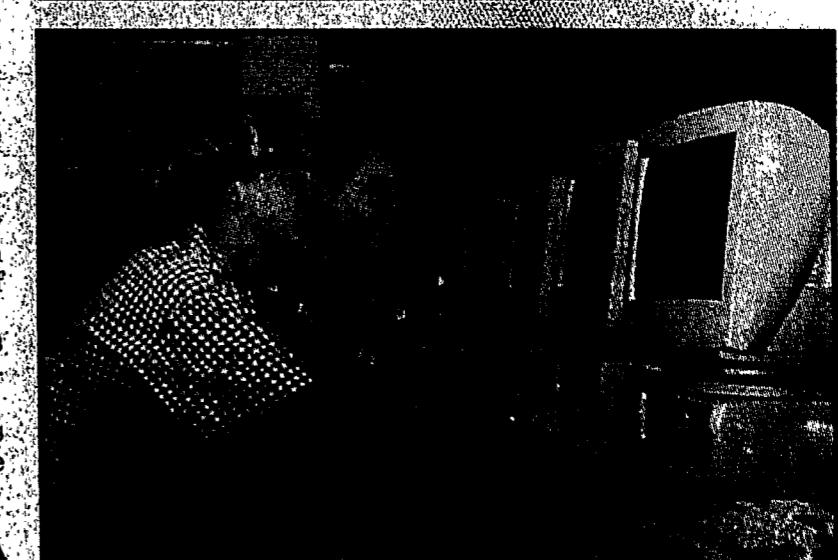
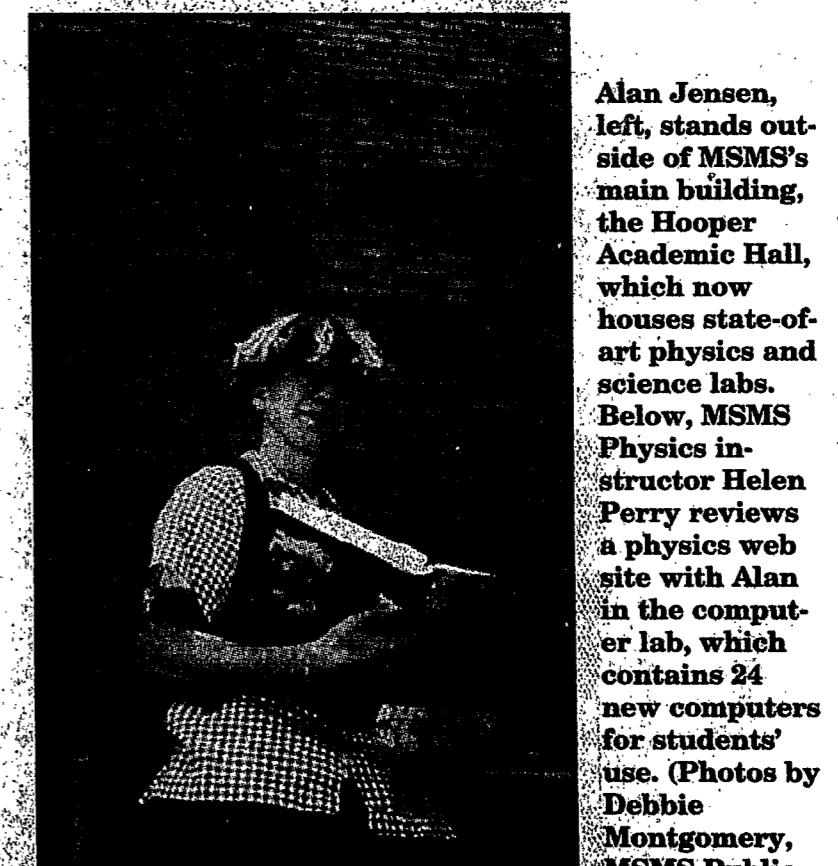
"I was kind of scared meeting people. I was looking for my group of friends," he said. "In the beginning I was kind of lost."

What was soon obvious was that all the students were academically talented.

"In general, everyone is smart," said Jensen. "Everyone has been told there's always go-

YOUTH--PAGE 7A

Alan Jensen, left, stands outside of MSMS's main building, the Hooper Academic Hall, which now houses state-of-the-art physics and science labs. Below, MSMS Physics instructor Helen Perry reviews a physics web site with Alan in the computer lab, which contains 24 new computers for students' use. (Photos by Debbie Montgomery, MSMS Public Affairs)



## OBITUARIES

GENEVA D. CLARK  
LUVENIA A. DOBSON  
PETER F. FARVE  
ANASTASIA GAYAUT  
WILLIAM T. NELSON  
DONALD C. O'NEILL  
ISHAM MURPHREE  
PARKER

GENEVA D. CLARK  
Geneva D. Clark, 84, of Pass Christian, died Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Clark was born in Hancock County and was a lifelong resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. She was a former member of the Legion of Mary and also participated in the Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi. She was a member of St. Stephen Catholic Church in DeLisle.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie Clark, and a son, Jerry Clark.

Survivors include two daughters, Charlene Stagg of Long Beach and Barbara Rolen of Orange Grove; a son, Ronald Clark; a sister, Azaliene Clark, both of DeLisle; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Thursday at St. Stephen Catholic Church, followed by burial in Evergreen Gardens in Gulfport.

Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorials to St. Stephen Catholic Church, 25220 St. Stephen Road, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

LUVENIA A. DOBSON

Luvenia A. Conn Dobson, 91, of Poplarville, formerly of Carriere, Miss., died Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, in Poplarville.

Mrs. Dobson was a native of Brookhaven, Miss. and a homemaker. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Carriere.

Survivors include three sons, Edward F. Dobson of Caesar, Judge Joseph R. Dobson of Kiln, and John T. Dobson of Picayune; five daughters, Alene D. Banks and Thelma D. Foreman, both of Sulphur, La., Betty L. Jarrell of Millcreek community, Paulette D. Enterkir of Ellisville, Miss.; Faye D. Powell of Poplarville; a brother, James Conn of Pikeville, Ky.; four sisters, Etta Lee Baygents of Ocean Springs, Lillian Headrick of Laurel, Alphretta Robinson of Ellisville, Jeanette Robinson of Orlando, Fla.; 23 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday evening at McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Services were conducted Saturday at First Baptist Church in Carriere, followed by burial in Carriere Cemetery.

PETER F. FARVE  
Peter F. Farve, 85, died Thursday, Feb. 18, 1999.

Mr. Farve was a native and a resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a member of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church since its inception in 1925. He was a member of the Knights of Peter Claver for over 50 years and a veteran of the U. S. Navy. He served as a cook for St. Augustine Seminary in Bay St. Louis and for the Veteran Hospital in Gulfport where he retired.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Alcide and Dora Maurice Farve; one daughter, Vannette Acker; one brother, Dennis Farve; four sisters, Edna Farve, Mae Farve, Dorothy Simms and Clara Moore.

Survivors include his wife, Elvira Fairconnette Farve of Bay St. Louis; five sons, Joseph, Thomas, and Harry Farve all of Bay St. Louis, Dwight Farve of Columbus, Ohio and Ronald Farve of New Orleans, La.; two daughters, Cleo Silas of New Orleans and Elvira Robinson of Bartlett, Ill.; one brother, John Farve of Bay St. Louis; 22

grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 10 until 11 a.m., Monday, Feb. 22, 1999, at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church followed by a funeral mass at 11 a.m. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. J. T. Hall Funeral Home of Gulfport is in charge of the arrangements.



ANASTASIA GAYAUT

Anastasia (Anna) Pitalo Gayaut, 70, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1999, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Gayaut was born March 7, 1928 in Biloxi and was a long-time resident of Bay St. Louis. She was the daughter of the late Anthony G. Pitalo and Katherine Surian Pitalo of Bay St. Louis. She was a member and a retired teacher of Our Lady of the Gulf and Our Lady Academy. She was past president and life member of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 139 and a member of La Femmes.

Survivors include her husband, Gilbert D. Gayaut Jr. of Bay St. Louis; a daughter, Sandra Gayaut Beebe of Bay St. Louis; three sons, Anthony Gayaut and wife Susan of Corpus Christi, Texas, Philip Gayaut and wife Janie of Pearl River, La., and Kenny Gayaut of Bay St. Louis; a brother, Anthony (Buddy) Pitalo Jr. and wife Patricia of Bay St. Louis; seven grandchildren, a great-grandchild and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A prayer service was conducted Saturday at the funeral home chapel. Interment followed in Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers memorials to the American Cancer Society, 182A Debuys Road, Biloxi, MS 39531.

WILLIAM T. NELSON

William Thomas Nelson, 63, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, Feb. 19, 1999, in Slidell.

Mr. Nelson was a Catholic and a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. He was a member of the American Legion Post 139, Bay St. Louis, and served in the Korean Conflict with the United States Marine Corps.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward Thomas and Emily Irene Nelson; and a brother, Edward Joseph Nelson.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Merrill Nelson of Bay St. Louis; five daughters, Pamela Ann Nelson Brooks of Gulfport, Chandra Layne Nelson, Yvette Suzanne Nelson Dean, Ashley Nicole Nelson and Cynthia Ann Keeton, all of Bay St. Louis; a sister, Rose Marie Wuesthoff of Bay St. Louis; six grandchildren and host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Saturday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A funeral service will be conducted today, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home chapel. Burial will follow in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

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DONALD C. O'NEILL

Donald Cleary O'Neill, 51, of Gulfport, died Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1999, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. O'Neill was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Gulfport. He was a member of St. James Catholic Church in Gulfport.

He was preceded in death by his father, William Cleary O'Neill.

Survivors include his mother, Florence Gowers O'Neill of Gulfport; and a sister, Kathleen O. Fernandez of Bay St. Louis.

A private service was conducted in Lake Lawn Metairie Cemetery.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrangements.

ISHAM MURPHREE PARKER

Isham Murphree Parker, 89, of Gulfport died Friday, Feb. 19, 1999.

Mr. Parker was born October 19, 1909, in Calhoun County,

Mississippi and moved to Gulfport in 1954. He was a retired building contractor and a member of Grace Memorial Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar Young Parker and Minola Murphree Parker; two brothers, John Sidney Parker and Tom Hill Parker; one daughter, Sheilah Faith Morton; and two sons, James Morris Parker and Carl Delaney Parker.

He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Eva Irene Delaney Parker; a brother, Alfred Rex Parker of Brooksville; a son, Robert Wayne Parker of Belleville, Ill., 14 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 22, 1999, from the Riemann Funeral Home chapel, 25th Avenue, Gulfport.

Burial will follow in Evergreen Gardens in Gulfport.

The family prefers memorials to Grace Memorial Baptist Church Building Fund.

## NARFE Buccaneer Chapter meeting

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) will meet at the Bay Waveland Yacht Club Feb. 23 at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon.

The chapter holds its monthly meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month. During the December meeting, members had a Christmas party.

Mississippi chapters raised over \$17,000 last year, and the state chairman has set a goal of \$20,000 for this year.

All retired federal employees are invited to attend. For added information, call Ray Sheehy, chapter president, at 255-6922.

## Seizure Disorder Support Group

Those who suffer from a seizure disorder, and need the support of people who know what that means, may join the Kim Berglund Seizure Disorder Support Group. No pressure, no judgment.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

## Grieving Support Group

A Wholesome Grieving Support Group will meet every second Wednesday of the month 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the Hancock Senior Care Office in Bay West Professional Office, 1011 Hwy. 90, across from the Waffle House. The meetings are free of charge.

## GED classes

GED classes are being offered at Hancock High School Monday and Tuesday, 8:30-11 a.m., and Monday and Wednesday, 6-9 p.m.

For information, call Gaynell Roberts at 255-0376.

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## Judges announced for Pilgrimage Flower Show

Alice Holmes, local chairman of the 52nd annual Spring Pilgrimage Flower Show, announces that show judges will be arriving from throughout Mississippi for the prestigious opening event for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs annual pilgrimage.

Leta Carter, president of the Garden Clubs of Mississippi Inc., from Rolling Fork, will participate as one of the nine judges for the event.

Also judging will be Jim Ella Aden, Rolling Fork; Wilhelmina Porter, Vicksburg; DeLores Feldman, Summitt; Beverly Gabbert and Barbara Herring, Meadville; Mary Jo Wedgeworth, Ann Lazarus and Norma Murrell, Laurel. A welcome luncheon will be held for the judges at the Kate Lohrman House, hosted by the Hancock County Historical Society.

The flower show will be held at the Main Street United Methodist Church Multipurpose Building, with lectures being held at the Hancock County Courthouse.

"To prepare for the influx of several thousand visitors, the Pilgrimage Committee has arranged for off-site parking and trolley shuttle service to the show from the Bay St. Louis Depot. We encourage everyone to park at the Depot. Our downtown is so compact that restaurants and shopping is within three historic blocks," said

Holmes.

The Gulf Coast Pilgrimage is the only remaining free pilgrimage of its size in the country. This year's promotional funding was provided in part by the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau, Beth Carriere, executive director, in cooperation with the Mississippi Department of Economic and Community Development Tourism Division.

"Bay St. Louis is very proud to provide the backdrop for the opening show and to host two tour days during this year's pilgrimage tour of the three Coast counties. We're happy that visitors will have time to spend in our historic downtown and the Depot district. While spending a day in the Bay, visitors will understand why we are *A Place Apart*," said Mayor Eddie Favre.

Mrs. Nick Hyman, Hancock County, serves as chairman of the 52nd annual Spring Pilgrimage which features 13 communities during the two-week tour of the three Coast counties. The grand finale will be a jazz concert hosted by the Old Brick House in Biloxi.

For information about the pilgrimage, contact the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau at 1-800-466-9048.

Tour companies and motor coaches must pre-register.



## Mardi Gras celebration nearly turns tragic

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

Mardi Day is a big celebration for many area families, but it almost turned into a tragedy for the George Wasson family of Bay St. Louis.

On Friday morning, after things had settled a bit for the family, George Wasson, a construction worker by trade, gives his story of the events of the day.

He recalled, "On Mardi Day a little before lunch, my three-year-old daughter Amber was playing in the front yard of our residence with her mother keeping an eye on her, and suddenly she disappeared," her father said.

He continued, "My wife Nicki began to call Amber, but was unable to locate her. At the time I was doing some repair work for the property owner in another apartment, and my wife summoned me, because she could not locate our daughter.

"I dropped everything and began the search with my wife. We moved across the back side of the property and came upon the small water collection area which has several goldfish in it.

"I looked over the area, which is about the size of a bed, and after a few seconds I saw the seat of my daughter's bluejeans sticking up in the middle of the water. I jumped in, and the water chest deep. How she got in, we really do not know.

"The first thing I did was pull her out and handed her to my wife on the edge. Then I got out of the water and picked her up and brought her to a clearing about 30 yards away. I removed her shirt and placed her on the side and pumped some water from her.

"I was getting ready to turn her on her back and start mouth-to-mouth resuscitation when I saw Deputy Brandon Ladner's patrol car in the parking lot.

"By this time my wife rushed into the apartment complex's lobby and started dialing 911, but I believe Ladner's call got

"It was later revealed that

Deputy Ladner was checking the identification of a vehicle in the parking lot when he saw my wife fleeing into the lobby and me carrying my daughter, and he called for 911.

"At that point I again picked her up and began running towards his vehicle and started yelling for help, and he came running towards us.

"We met, I laid my child down, and we began trying to revive her. Eventually we had her crying and felt that we had pulled her through the ordeal. At this time American Medical Response arrived, took over and administered oxygen and continued to clean her airways.

Then she was transported to Hancock Medical Center with escorts all the way from the Sheriff's Office and Waveland Police."

Wasson was a Navy Hospital Corpsman during 1978-82 and he recalled his military training which came into play during the rescue, even though it had been a long time since he was trained in rescue.

Wasson offers great appreciation to Deputy Ladner in his helping, because he feels that his daughter's life was saved because of their fast action.

"The doctor told my wife and me that if we had not found her in time and did the initial resuscitation, she would not have made it," Wasson emphasized.

"At Hancock Medical Center Amber appeared stable, and her pediatrician suggested she be sent to the NorthShore Pediatric Intensive Care Unit for further testing and observation. This occurred at around 4 p.m. Tuesday.

"In my mother's conversation with my daughter after the ordeal, she told her grandmother that she heard my wife calling her, but apparently was unable to reach her."

"Amber should return home this weekend from the Slidell hospital, her father reports.

The water hole has now been covered, at the RV and apartment complex located on Highway 90 west of Lakeshore Road.

## Cuevas announces for Constable East

Brian Cuevas of Kiln has announced his candidacy for Constable East in the Hancock County August Republican primary.

Cuevas, 31, a graduate of Hancock North Central High School, is employed in the maintenance department at Imperial Place Casino. He is the father of a son, Christopher age 4, and a daughter Ashley, 10.

In making his announcement he said, "If elected I will serve and be on call for citizens of the Eastern District of Hancock County. I have been an auxiliary

### PRCC announces president's dean's lists

Pearl River Community College released its president's and deans' lists for the 1998 fall semester.

The lists honor students who have excelled in academic performance during the semester. To make the president's list, a student must have a 4.0 grade point average or all A's.

Dean's list students must have a 3.4 or higher grade point average.

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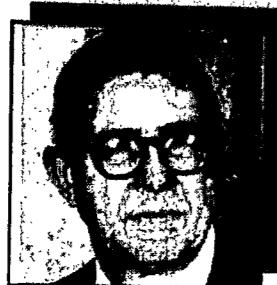
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## "CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce February *Business After Hours* will be Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m. at the Dunbar Village, 725 Dunbar Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

The event is sponsored by Dunbar Village and is open to chamber members and guests. Admission is two business cards, from which a drawing will be held for door prizes.

I have been told there will be some goodies at the *Business After Hours*. I hope to see you there.

There is a lot of talk about the community just as to what the plight might be concerning the proposed Hancock County Juvenile Detention Center.

County leaders requested bids for the project several times, and quotes were much higher than monies allocated for the project.

The Board of Supervisors relieved the architect of his duties and is now back to "square one," as the saying goes.

There is no question about the need of a Juvenile Detention Center in the county, and it would probably be a money saver in the long run. The county now has to pay other counties to take care of juveniles who are in detention.

It is hoped that a solution can be reached.

My understanding is that the supervisors are searching for solutions.

The supervisors met last Wednesday with a group to discuss potential leasing of a facility. Of course, all of this has to be approved by those who are providing a grant for a portion of the juvenile facility.

I talked to Tim Kellar on Friday. He reports he has received several entries for the 10th annual Red Beans & Rice Cook-off, but needs many more.

This is an annual American Cancer Society benefit set for Monday, April 12, at the Hancock County Civic Center.

This is a big fun time for all participants.

Last year the cook-off was a big success, and Kellar wants to make it even bigger and better with more participants at the Civic Center.

There are four categories: government, restaurant, organization and business.

For further information, call Kellar at 467-5404.

Good luck to all you great cooks. Remember, this is for a very important organization, the American Cancer Society.

On Wednesday I attended the ribbon cutting for the Navy's Human Resources Service Center Southeast at the John C. Stennis Space Center.

It appeared that nature just did not want to cooperate. There was a tremendous downpour at the given time. But even the rain did not dampen the significance of occasion.

The facility is located in the old administration building of the Army Ammunition Plant.

A tremendous amount of work and equipment went into the renovation of the building, reportedly some \$4.1 million.

The facility keeps records for the Navy and Marine Corps civilians in the southeastern United States and Puerto Rico. This is one of just eight in the U.S.

The good economic news is the 200-plus employees at the Hancock County facility.

The Navy's presence in Hancock County continues to increase and is very much appreciated.

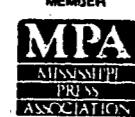
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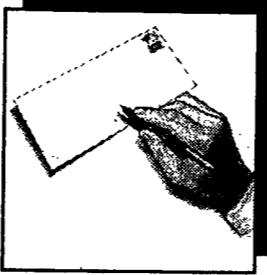
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## Science & Math Tournament

Hancock High School students participated in the Mississippi Science and Mathematics Tournament at Mississippi College Feb. 4-5, including, front from left, Jessica Blackmon, Mariana Evans, Amy Marie Cuevas and Amanda Blair Pullen; back row, Blake D. Smith, Craig Carrigee, Brandi Lander, Mark Hall and Andreas Zivic.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Every street address needs to be clearly visible

Dear Editor,

At the February meeting of the AARP in the American Legion Hall, we needed to call 911 for a medical emergency.

Quite understandably, the operator would not accept "the hall behind the Whintney Bank on Coleman Avenue." She wanted an address!

However, this address, "208 Coleman Avenue," is not visible from the street, so that, too, was useless.

Finally, she asked for the nearest cross street which is Arlington, where the Legion Hall is clearly visible, and then accepted the call.

This brings up the subject of a critical need in this county for

residences and commercial outlets to publish their addresses in the telephone directory and to have them clearly visible on their front doors.

When we first moved to the Coast, we had a very hard time trying to find stores and offices. Even now, we often need to identify a location by relating it to the nearest supermarket or service station.

This could be very serious in the case of a life-threatening emergency. There should be a law requiring every street address to be clearly visible.

Remember, "the life you save could be your own."

Frances Crist  
Waveland

### Pearl River resident says buffer zone no place for landfill; it should be returned to owners

To the Editor,

Almost 40 years ago, John C. Stennis stood on the banks of the Pearl River and addressed a small group of Mississippians. He asked them, for the good of the nation, that they move off their land, leave their homes and give up their dreams. Start their lives over. Families had generations of heritage invested in that land.

Some sold their homes, farms and lands to the government. Others leased their land. Stennis or the government has paid in lieu taxes on the purchased land, and those who leased have paid property and school taxes on their land all these years.

The covenant that the government made with those who moved out of the buffer zone was limited and restrictive. No buildings, just lean-to's, with three open sides are allowed.

No one is allowed in the Stennis Space Center Zone past dark. Every house was torn down. Every sign of prior life removed. Those farmers who still own the land by day, aren't even allowed a privy.

Now the public officials of the Hancock County Solid Waste Authority want to site a dump in the Stennis Space Center Buffer Zone? With buildings? With electricity? With privies? And the government is going to provide them a road with our tax dollars. Why?

The Stennis Space Center Buffer Zone was established during Apollo rocket engine

testing. These rockets were powerful and required a buffered area. The shuttle engines of today are much less powerful and cause no vibration damage. There is no need for the buffer zone.

If Stennis Space Center has no intentions of honoring their covenant contract with the people, then return the land to those who stood on the banks of the Pearl, those who gave up their homes and dreams.

I wonder if Hancock County officials have ever computed its loss of revenue on all the \$100,000-plus homes and subdivisions that could be on their assessment rolls? All those real property taxes that they could be collecting. The buffer zone, if developed, could bring in a pretty penny and not just with in lieu taxes on unimproved property.

I knew John C. Stennis personally. We were not close, but friends. I saw his integrity, his love for this state, his unrelenting pursuit for what was right and good for his people. I also know that he would be outraged to see what is happening in the buffer zone which bears his name.

Again, I suggest that if the land's worth is no more than to heap tons and tons of garbage upon it, it is time to release and restore the land to its rightful owners, the people.

Margaret "Wootsie" Tate

Pearl River County

## FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE

By Representative J.P. Comprett

### House concentrates on so-called 'money bills'

The House of Representatives concentrated this week on so-called "money bills" that raise and appropriate the funds to operate state agencies, boards and commissions.

A blueprint for state agency spending was completed in the fall during several weeks of pre-planning done by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

The 10-member group held budget hearings with leaders of the various state agencies, boards and commissions to determine the needs of each for fiscal year 2000, beginning July 1, 1999.

Once the fall hearings are completed, the joint committee recommends spending for each agency and presents the plan to the full Legislature for approval.

Each agency bill includes an average \$1,500 across-the-board pay raise for state employees, who number about 32,000 excluding teachers and staff at the secondary and post-secondary levels.

Pay raises for education personnel will be finalized separately.

A few of the highlights of the spending bills — involving both taxes and appropriations — that were approved or considered by the full House or either the Appropriations or Ways and Means committees during the week:

The House passed a bill giving the State Department of Corrections an additional \$10

million for the current fiscal year to pay counties for holding state prisoners and to provide operating funds for several new regional prisons opening this year.

The Ways and Means Committee heard a presentation from several mayors across the state pushing HB 1495, which would allow municipalities to hold referendums on enacting a 1-percent sales tax increase to fund local projects.

Under the proposal, the increased sales tax would first have to pass muster approval of three-fifths of the voters in a special election. If passed, the tax could be spent on only specific projects, such as transportation infrastructure or capital improvement projects.

Mayors and other local leaders said they need the special tax as a way to fund these projects because fire and police protection services, along with other needs, leave little in local budgets for infrastructure improvements.

The State Department of Transportation's proposed \$963.7 million budget includes regular operations and maintenance funds, along with \$1 million for use during natural disasters and emergencies, \$300,000 for the statewide litter program, \$50,000 for use in drug seizures and \$1 million to maintain welcome centers and rest stops.

## FROM THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE

By State Senator Scottie Cuevas

### State agency budgets dominate Senate floor work

Funding for state government operations occupied Senate attention last week as deadlines loomed on appropriations revenue bills.

Each state agency has its own appropriation bill to fund operations for Fiscal Year 2000, which begins July 1. Next year's General Fund budget is expected to total about \$3.39 billion.

Mississippi college students will benefit from an appropriation bill, which the Senate passed Wednesday — SB 3137 — to pay \$31.6 million for state-funded scholarships. \$2 million is earmarked for scholarships to help ease the state's teacher shortage problem.

College and university faculty will receive a 4 percent pay raise from SB 3136, which provides funds for the operation and maintenance of the state's institutions of higher learning.

This increase is in addition to the 3 percent annual commitment begun by the 1997 Legislature and scheduled to be completed in Fiscal Year 2000.

Senators face a Feb. 24 dead-

line to pass appropriation bills originating in the Senate.

Senate committees also began consideration of House general bills, some of which came up for votes on the Senate floor.

March 2 is the deadline for committees to vote on bills and constitutional amendments from the other chamber.

On Tuesday, the Legislature

and state business people hosted a luncheon to honor Mississippi's outstanding university and college students, their parents and faculty.

Expanded health care for children came one step closer to reality last week. The House passed SB 2263, which approved transferring additional Medicaid funds to help operate a health insurance program for children, whose working families cannot afford it.

The Senate will consider changes the House made, and if they are accepted, the bill would head for the Governor's signature. If the changes aren't accepted, a conference committee will try to work out a compromise.

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## REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome  
LeDoux, SVD

"Why should I hate in return? That would be what the men who killed my dad did, and I'm not like them."

Seventeen-year-old Jamie Byrd was reacting to the savage killing of her father, James Jr., who was chained to the back of a truck and dragged to his death in the summer of 1998, sending racial shock waves around the world.

Speaking for her family, Jamie insisted they are beyond anger and ill feelings, and are rather working to turn this heinous crime into a positive force for our torn society. They are hoping no one else will ever be thus victimized.

Jamie's initial reaction was typically human: "When we first heard about it, I was seeing all this stuff in my head. Of course, I was mad, and I just thought, 'Let me take them and drag them!'

"That's how I was feeling, but then I was thinking about it and I was like, 'God can do anything. God will take care of it.'"

Surprisingly for a 17-year-old, Jamie sees the horrible experience as a loss of innocence, but not a loss of hope. More wary and less trusting of people, her relationship with her best friend, who is white, remains just as close.

"How can she do that?" people ask when they see the two walking around together. "I guess they think I'm supposed to hate, but she's been my best friend for years, and this could've happened to her dad, too."

Tougher legislation to protect all citizens against crimes of hate toward any ethnic group or class of people is emerging from the Texas legislature. The Byrd family is comforted to know their relative's death was

### Forgiveness liberates us

not in vain.

Sitting in the cusp of Mardi Gras and Lent, Black History Month is a challenge to all peoples of all ethnic and racial groups. In fact, the slogan of Black History Month and Lent could be identical: "Forgive everyone! Appreciate everyone!"

That means getting to know both ourselves and everyone else adequately as to history, culture, ideals and needs. It means hauling all the historical cover-ups out of the closet and placing merits and demerits wherever they belong.

However, we must make sure forgiveness, not hatred, follows disclosure of terrible incidents from the past. This entails embracing the hardest of all commandments, making it the most fundamental part of our human experience:

"But to you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to

those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you" (Luke 6:27-29).

After making a complete breast of our peccadilloes and blunders on both sides of the racial and ethnic lines, we have to give due credit to those neglected by history: the minority heroes in religion, science, business and politics.

Black History Month, just as Lent, is a privileged time of education, of disclosure, of self-examination, of conversion as in turning ourselves around to our highest goals, and, above all, of sharing the best things in life with everyone.

Heroines and heroes like 17-year-old Jamie Byrd are leading the way we all must follow if the myriad groups and classes of humans are to make any sense of our life here on earth. Being all we can be with heartfelt forgiveness.

**Irene Koskan,  
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#### PECAN GROVE LANDFILL

##### IN HARRISON COUNTY (1997)

LOUISIANA	459,877.51
ALABAMA	28,146.73
MISSISSIPPI	275,991.00
<b>TOTAL TONNAGE</b>	<b>764,015.24</b>

#### CENTRAL LANDFILL

##### IN PEARL RIVER COUNTY (1997)

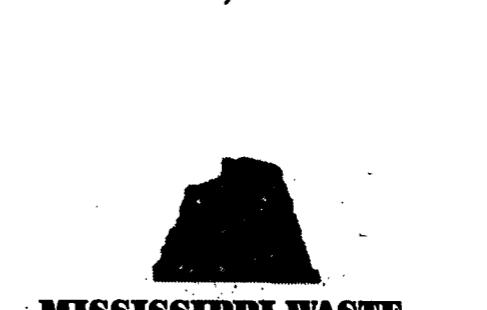
LOUISIANA	98,264
ALABAMA	35
MISSISSIPPI	46,080
<b>TOTAL TONNAGE</b>	<b>144,379</b>

\* All figures are from the files of Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

1997 \*\*586,323 TONS



1997 \*\*322,071 TONS



South Mississippi currently has the ugly reputation of being the waste dump for out-of-state garbage. The Pecan Grove (Harrison County) landfill is almost filled to capacity way before its time because it took more than twice the garbage from out-of-state than it did from Mississippi residents. The Central Landfill, at Millard in Pearl River County is also overflowing with a 100' mountain of out-of-state garbage. Louisiana sent in twice as much garbage, again, as Mississippi residents. Central landfill is Pearl River County now has a huge expansion planned. Over 400 concerned residents tried, in vain, to stop this expansion at the public hearing, August 16, 1998. They could not stop it because it is a privately owned landfill that already has a contract with the Pearl River County Board of Supervisors.

The Hancock County Solid Waste Authority (created by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors to determine the best way to dispose of waste generated by Hancock County residents) has proposed a private landfill be constructed in the Stennis Space Center's Buffer Zone allowing garbage to be trucked in from a 150 mile radius.

### DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO HANCOCK COUNTY!!!

You can help to put a stop to this unfair policy. Call your elected officials; tell them you're very concerned and you are not going to stand for them polluting the headwaters of the Jourdan River and the Bay of St. Louis! Ask the Supervisors to join with you at the public hearing, to be held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 10 at the Hancock County Civic Center and work with you to put a stop to all this out of state garbage being trucked into Mississippi and Hancock County.

**This is a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed permitting of the Stennis Buffer Zone Landfill. Remember, New Orleans and St. Tammany Parish do not have landfills. They just send their garbage to Mississippi!**

### ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOICE YOUR OPINION

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10  
at the Hancock County Civic Center!

Sign the petition to stop  
privately owned landfills!

Urge your elected officials  
to make responsible decisions!

# WE DON'T NEED MORE LANDFILLS! WE NEED TO STOP OUT OF STATE GARBAGE!

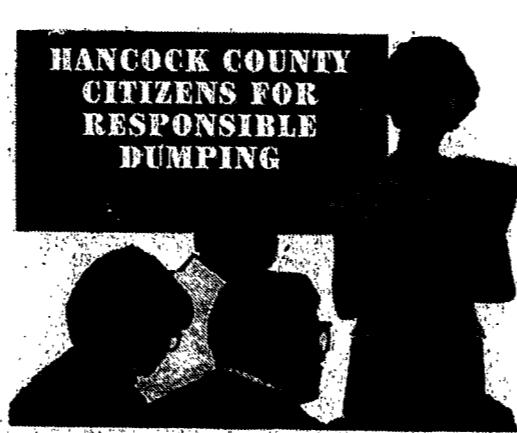
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### Ribbon cutting

Ribbon cutting ceremonies were held Wednesday at the Department of the Navy Human Resources Service Center Southeast at the John C. Stennis Space Center. Cutting the ribbon are, from left, Carole E. Martinez, director; Betty Welch, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Trent Lott, Majority Leader, United States Senate; Carolyn Becroft, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; and RADM Kenneth E. Barbour, Commander Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command, Stennis Space Center. The Hancock County Navy Human Resources Services Center provides service to approximately 30,600 Navy and Marine Corps civilian employees in the Southeast. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

### Graham announces for supervisor

G. W. Graham has announced his candidacy for Hancock County Supervisor of District One in the August Democratic primary.

Graham, 51, is married to the former Sharon Morgan. They are the parents of four children, Donald, Tracy, Guy Jr. and Mary. They also have 12 grandchildren.

A Hancock County native, Graham has been in the construction business for 30 years.

Graham said, "I have successfully operated my own company for the past 21 years. I've worked all over the county and see county time and money wasted on a regular basis. I want this job because I know I can make a difference."

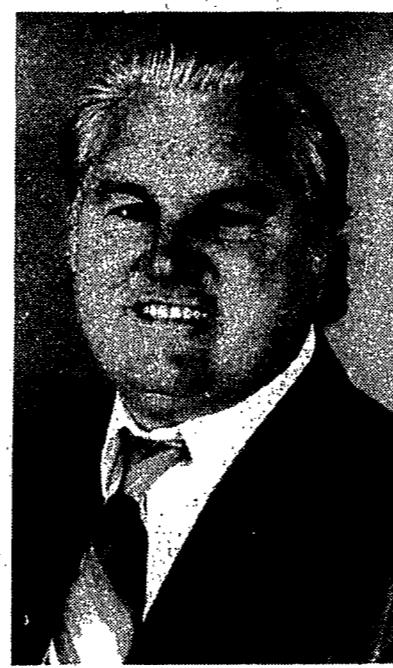
"I have the background and experience to be a good supervisor for all the people of District

One. I'm excited about getting out and trying to meet all the people of the district to hear your views.

"I'll make no promises that I can't keep. The only promise you'll hear me make is to give the people of Hancock County my very best effort every day. I feel that if someone can take the time to call me, then as your supervisor I should take the time to respond personally.

"My primary concern is to see that the people of District One receive their fair share and that Hancock County continues to be the best county in the state."

Graham concluded by saying, "Cast your vote in the August primary to give me an opportunity to serve as your supervisor, and I'll assure you that your vote will not be wasted."



G. W. Graham

### Hearing—Council supportive

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In this case, however, confusion arose over the difference in city "wards" and city "districts." The nine-acre tract lies within Thriffiley's representation District 2, which stretches to Second Street. The tract also lies in voting Ward 1, which extends to Main Street.

Out of caution to make sure no legal minefields develop by advertising the property only as part of District 2, officials decided to re-advertise the commission's pending action on the matter, and to mail out a new batch of letters to property owners in Ward 1.

The decision means that the commission will hold a public hearing on the proposal Feb. 24, as previously planned, but will take no action. Another meeting is set for March 17, when the commission will vote on the proposal.

Ironically, there is little visible opposition to the development so far. Encompassing nine acres known as the Pete Fountain tract, developers from Harvey, LA, want to sell and develop 50 residential properties on the parcel, but leave the beachfront tract, about 2.5 acres, undeveloped forever.

The community would be accessed only off a service road and Second Street, with no direct access off North Beach.

With a 1900's architectural style, lots and homes will range from \$180,000 to over \$500,000. A gazebo and small chapel also are planned on the tract, dubbed "Chapel Hill."

Details of the proposal have been aired in the Echo, posted at City Hall and advertised for the commission's meeting next week, and have drawn little if any opposition. The development would be built on lands now zoned for commercial usage — a zoning designation that has had local residents fearful for the past decade.

As it stands, officials point out, the property could be developed for a wide range of commercial activity, including a casino, economy motel or a massive truck stop.

Thursday, Thriffiley said he has heard only one concern raised over the proposed density of 50

dwellings on 6.5 acres. But, he said, the existing zoning would allow up to 300 condominium units if developers so chose.

He lauded the layout and concept of the proposal on the table, and had nothing but praise for the developer, Chet LeBlanc, and the marketing chief, Henry Wincrs.

Noting that developers have asked City Hall to keep a roster of local businesses and craftsmen who would like to participate in the project, Thriffiley said he is personally excited about the proposal as it stands. "This guy is not playing games," Thriffiley said of LeBlanc. "He's a real congenial guy. He's got the right ideals. He wants to make it a nice place for our people."

Thriffiley made the comments during council's workshop and regular meeting, which had been moved from earlier in the week to accommodate Mardi Gras festivities. The meeting featured a change in presidency of council, with council member Carleen Moran assuming the gavel from council member Tad Black.

Council routinely rotates the presidency.

Gaming revenues to the city also are up, the reports show. Fees and taxes on Casino Magic to the city and local schools climbed to \$225,760 in January 1999.

Council recessed its meeting Thursday night with plans to reconvene Monday at 6:30 p.m. Officials need to take action on a proposed contract for Public Works employees at that time, and adjourn into a workshop session on the comprehensive plan.

In other business, council approved a joint agreement with the Hancock County Board of Supervisors for street paving.

Resurfacing is slated for the following streets, assuming there are sufficient funds available:

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## Workshop—P.A.T.H. program

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### Pot seized

Hancock County's narcotics Task Force arrested a Texas woman, and confiscated 17 pounds of marijuana early Thursday morning in a routine check of a chartered bus eastbound on Interstate 10. (Echo staff photo by Ed Lepoma)

### Drug—Arrest made

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marijuana that was packed inside the seat pillow.

DeLeon, 33, was charged with possession of a controlled substance (marijuana) with intent to distribute. She is being held in Hancock County jail with bail set at \$17,000.

### Meetings announced

The Gulf Coast Stamp Club will meet the first Saturday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Water Street in Biloxi (south of the main post office). Call 863-7770 or 435-1638.

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### Harrison County Gem-Mineral Society

The Harrison County Gem-Mineral Society will meet the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Herbert Wilson Recreation Center on Hancock Avenue in Gulfport.

A workshop will be held the following Saturday starting at 9 a.m. Call 863-7770 or 863-6312.

### Biloxi Mayor's Awareness Committee for Citizens with Disabilities

The Biloxi Mayor's Committee will meet the second Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m. at Old Mississippi Power Building on Washington Loop in Biloxi. All coastal disabled citizens and interested parties are invited. Call 863-7770.

By understanding these issues, attendees will be better able to understand how and why they make the choices in their lives they do and how to make different choices if they are not happy with the ones they have made.

Latham said the workshops are informal and are not held in a classroom setting. "Everyone comes in as an equal, entitled to their own opinion, and we will not try and tell them that their beliefs or values are wrong," said Latham.

"Most kids and many adults never sit and think about how they developed their basic belief and value structures. They don't stop and look at how they come to make decisions and choices in their lives.

"Young people are not skilled in looking ahead and seeing where a choice will lead, and as a result they may make some inappropriate choices. These workshops help them understand themselves and how they 'tick.'

"We offer different strategies and models for them to consider and they are exposed to other workshop members and their beliefs, but there is no pressure toward them to 'change'... true change must come from within and cannot be imposed."

The workshops will be open to any child from Hancock County and are free of charge. Some youths will be referred by the County Youth Court and some from the guidance counselors at the local schools.

Parents who are concerned about their child's developing behavior patterns or their use of tobacco may call and directly sign their children up for one of the workshops.

"We also invite any youth in the age range who would like to attend (with their parent's permission) to contact us," Latham said. "These workshops are not for 'bad kids,' they're for any young adult who is interested in learning more about themselves in an atmosphere free of criticism and conflict."

Workshops will be held in the meeting room of the Mississippi

State Extension Services in the Human Services complex on Longfellow Road, just off Hwy. 603.

Each workshop involves four Saturdays for four hours on each Saturday. Workshops start at 10 a.m. and finish at 2 p.m. Each attendee must provide their own light lunch and attendees may not leave the building until the workshop is over. Workshops are limited to 10 attendees.

"I am excited about these workshops, and I really hope we can get a good turnout for them," said Latham. "On one

hand, adults complain about kids' behaviors and on the other hand kids complain that adults don't listen to them or value their beliefs.

"We tackle both concerns in these workshops. Hancock County is fortunate to have received the tobacco grant that will allow us to put these workshops on."

"I conducted workshops like these for six years for young Navy personnel and their families, and they proved to be much more effective than any type of 'lecture' or 'list of rules' or 'punishment' in facilitating real

changes in people's lives.

"What I want parents to understand is that their child will not be 'brainwashed' or indoctrinated in any religious or new wave ideology. We talk about simple, common sense issues and try to arrive at simple common sense answers."

For information on 'Life Choices Workshops' or to request a seat in one of the workshops listed, call Terry Latham, director of Hope Haven, at the Hancock County Youth Court at 467-7945 days and 255-5241 evenings.

## Youth—Facing challenges

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ing to be someone better." Some kids are not prepared for that."

Jensen said for himself it has been just the opposite. Although the classes are much more challenging than he was used to, Jensen said he has found a lot more support outside the classroom.

He lives in a dorm with a roommate he coincidentally ended up knowing from a USM leadership program. It is the dorm environment which has actually helped him with his schoolwork.

"The biggest thing is with the homework. At night you're in the dorm, and if you need help there is someone to help you," he said. "My good friends are taking the same classes, and if I need help I can ask them or a senior who has had the class."

Additionally there are tutorials offered each night from 6:30-8:30 with a different teacher.

And while the classes are challenging, Jensen said he has discovered that they are not impossible.

"When I was choosing classes, I thought there was no way I was going to be able to handle it," he explained. "I was worried. I thought I don't want to take this, I'm scared of it."

He reported that he has now switched to the advanced level of at least one course.

It's not without a lot of hard work though. There are designated study hours on most nights and, as at any school, students are on different levels.

"There are two different kinds of students)—some that are just naturally smart and some that really work hard," said Jensen. "I do a lot of work compared to a lot of people, and a lot less work than some people. Some people don't even come out of the dorm."

But, don't get the wrong idea, he said, the school is not all work. Combined with the academics are normal high school social and sports activities. Jensen is on the soccer and cross country track teams and hopes to play some tennis.

Physical fitness is emphasized as Jensen said, "They don't want you to just sit in the dorm."

On the social scene, there are dances every other month and such events as skating parties and camping trips.

"A lot of time it brings people's personalities out," said Jensen of the school's setup. "You can be extroverted and run around and do a lot of social things or you can be more low

key. Either way, there are people you can hang around with."

Unlike other schools the MSMS students may have been used to academic competitiveness between students. Here it is not emphasized. The school brings together some of the most talented students in the state, but steps have been taken to alleviate academic pressure. No class rankings are assigned and no valedictorian or salutatorian are named.

Although the students come from various social, economic and ethnic backgrounds, they all share an excellence in academics, which Jensen said he felt works as a kind of bond.

"(MSMS) puts you around people who are like you," he said.

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**Cross-county rivals**

Hancock High School Head Women's Basketball Coach, Sandy Albright, left, gives her Lady Hawks direction during Thursday's Feb. 18, district semi-final game against Columbia. Hancock won 64-52. Bay High School Athletic Director and Women's Basketball Coach, Debbie Triplett encourages her Lady Tigers back into the ball game also on Thursday in their semi-final outing against Oak

Grove. Bay High won 50-49. The wins put the cross-county rivals face-to-face in the finals Friday night of the District 7 4A—A championship in Picayune. Hancock High won 64-52 breaking Bay High's three-year hold on the district title. (Echo staff photo B. R. Hawkins)

**Lady Hawks claim Division 7-4A title**

## Lady Hawks, Lady Tigers & Rocks advance to South State play

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II

The 13th ranked St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws, Hancock Lady Hawks, and Bay High Lady Tigers all advanced to the championship game of the Division 7 Class 4A basketball tournament. Each team will move on to the first round of the South State playoffs on Monday and Tuesday evening.

The Lady Hawks claimed the Division 7 Class 4A title by dethroning the three-time defending champion Bay High Lady Tigers 64-52 in Picayune on Friday night.

The win enables the Lady Hawks to host St. Martin, the loser of the Division 8 4A championship game at 7 p.m., on Monday evening.

The Bay High Lady Tigers will travel to Wiggins to face Stone County, the winner of the Division 8-4A title, at 7 p.m., Monday.

### DISTRICT 7 CLASS 4A GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP

Hancock Girls, 64

Bay High, 52

The girls championship game was another chapter in the saga between two of the best girls teams in South Mississippi, the Lady Hawks and the Lady Tigers.

The two teams have met four times this year and each team has won twice. However, the Lady Hawks were the top team tonight holding off the Lady Tigers 64-52.

Bay High jumped out to a 5-0 lead with 6:15 to go in the first period. Keely Marshall nailed a three-pointer to give Bay High their biggest lead of the period at 19-14 with 1:10 to play.

Megan Matthews iced both free throws for the Lady Tigers with :39 left to give Bay High a 21-14 lead at the end of the first.

The Lady Hawks came alive in the second period holding the Lady Tigers to eight points and pushed the score to 31-29 at the intermission.

The second period Lady Hawk charge was led by Jaynell Ladner and Jessica Pucheu with seven and six points, respectively. Ladner nailed a jump-

### Albright & Ladner, both named 'Coach of the Year'

per at the buzzer to give Hancock the lead at the break.

Hancock increased their lead to 43-34 when Brandi Ladner nailed a 12-foot jumper with 2:43 remaining.

Marshall, once again, brought the Lady Tigers back into contention with a buzzer-beater basket to make the score 47-43 at the end of three.

In the final period, the Lady Hawks held the Lady Tigers to nine points and scored 17 points to make the final score.

Hancock head coach Sandy Albright said, "It was a dogfight from the beginning. It always is when these two teams play. Off the bat, Bay High didn't miss a beat. We were a little nervous at first. Once we settled down, we were able to hit some baskets."

"I told the girls at halftime: no more nerves. Settle down. We went in knowing we needed to keep Keely Marshall and Shemma Ambrose from driving."

Jessica Pucheu led the Hawks with 20 points. She was followed by Jaynell Ladner and Brandi Ladner with 15 and 12 points, respectively.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett commented, "I am very proud of the way my girls played tonight. They played with superb effort. I couldn't ask more of them. But, now we have to get ready for another tough game on Monday night."

Keely Marshall led the Lady Tigers with 20 points. Shemma Ambrose added 15 points in the loss.

THURSDAY, FEB. 18  
SEMI-FINAL ROUND

Hancock Girls, 67  
Columbia, 36

To reach the title game, Hancock defeated the Columbia Wildcats on Thursday 67-36.

The Wildcats kept the game close in the first period. The score at the end of the first was 10-7 in favor of the Hawks.

Hancock added a little cushion to their lead going into intermission with the score 19-12.

However, the Lady Hawks outscored the Wildcats 22-4 in the third period to cruise to the semi-final victory.

The Lady Hawks were led by Mindy Ladner with 18 points and Jaynell Ladner with 16 points.

### Bay High Girls, 50 Oak Grove, 49

The Bay High Lady Tigers advanced to the championship game with an exciting 50-49 win over the Oak Grove Lady Warriors. Oak Grove had beaten Bay High both times they met during the regular season.

Bay High jumped out to a 13-9 lead at the end of the first period with a balanced scoring attack.

Oak Grove stormed back in the second period as the scored the last six points of the half to take a 25-22 lead into the intermission.

The Lady Warriors had pushed their lead to eight points early in the third period, but Coach Triplett would not let her girls fold up the tents.

The Lady Tigers went on an 8-2 run to close out the third period down 36-34.

Shemma Ambrose tied the game at 40-40 when she made a layup with 5:55 left to play.

Keely Marshall sank two free throws with 2:08 left to give Bay High a four-point cushion at 48-44.

Lauren Bicker sank a three-pointer to tie the game at 49-49 with just :20 remaining. Ambrose was fouled on the inbounds pass and sank the front end of two charity shots to give the Lady Tigers the win.

Marshall led the Lady Tigers with 13 points. She was followed by Ambrose and Tabitha Wilkerson with 11 and 10 points, respectively.

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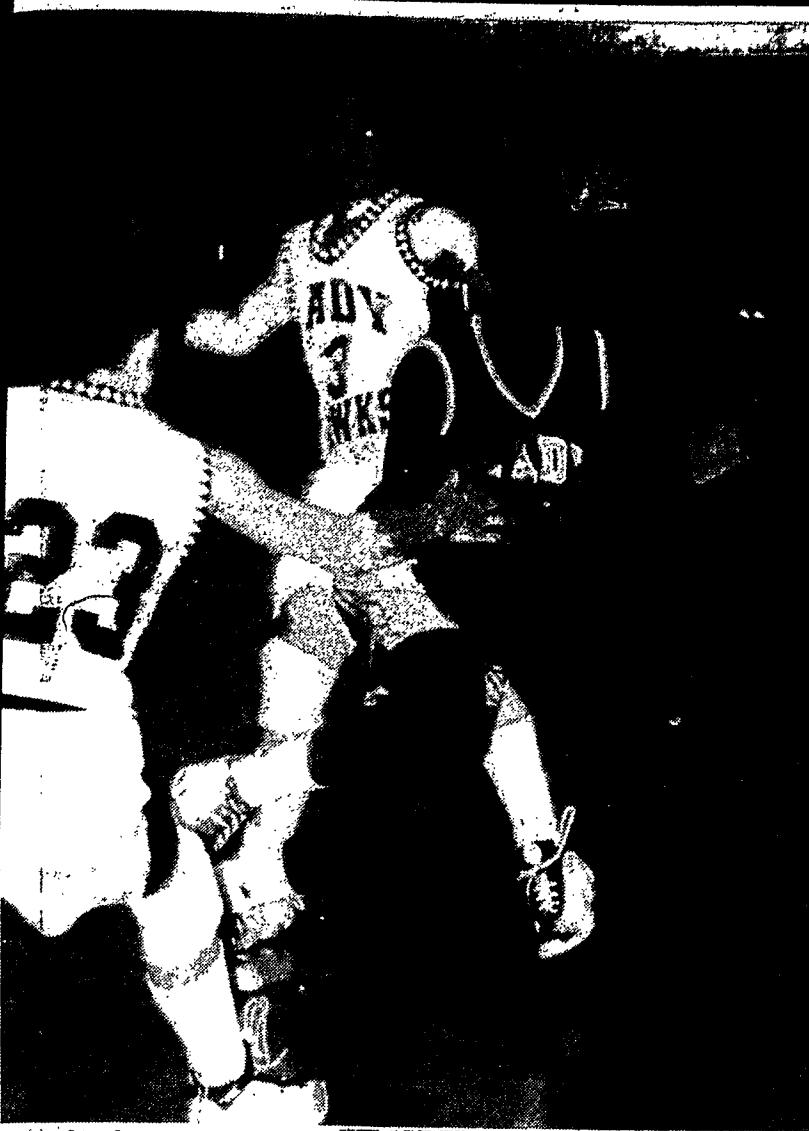
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## District—County's teams advance

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Driving to the goals

Shenma Ambrose of Bay High drives through the Hancock High defenders, above left, Friday night in the District 7-4A championship game in Picayune. Ambrose, along with team mate, Keely Marshall were named to the All District 7-4A girls team. Above right, Hancock's Jessica Pucheu scores with a layup. Pucheu was named district MVP. Team mate Mindy Ladner was dubbed Best Offensive player. Brandi Ladner and Jaynell Ladner were both named to the All District Team. (Echo staff photo by B. R. Hawkins)

Ladner of Hancock. Hancock coach Sandy Albright was chosen as the Coach of the Year while Mindy Ladner was named the Best Offensive Player. Jessica Pucheu, a USM signee, was named the division's Most Valuable Player.

### DISTRICT 7 & CLASS 4A BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP

#### St. Stanislaus 45

In the boys' championship game, the 13th ranked Rocks overcame a slow start to rally and almost knock-off the top-seeded Maroon Tide of Picayune. The Rocks fell 50-45, but not without a fight.

Picayune's All-American center Jonathan Bender scored the first points of the game on a turn-around jumper. Stephen Peterman answered for the Rocks with a drive of his own to tie the game at 2-2 with 5:11 left to play in the first.

Then, Picayune scored the next 12 points before Brandon Arcement nailed a three-pointer to end the Rock drought. The first period ended 14-5.

Picayune increased their lead to 25-13 by halftime on pressure defense.

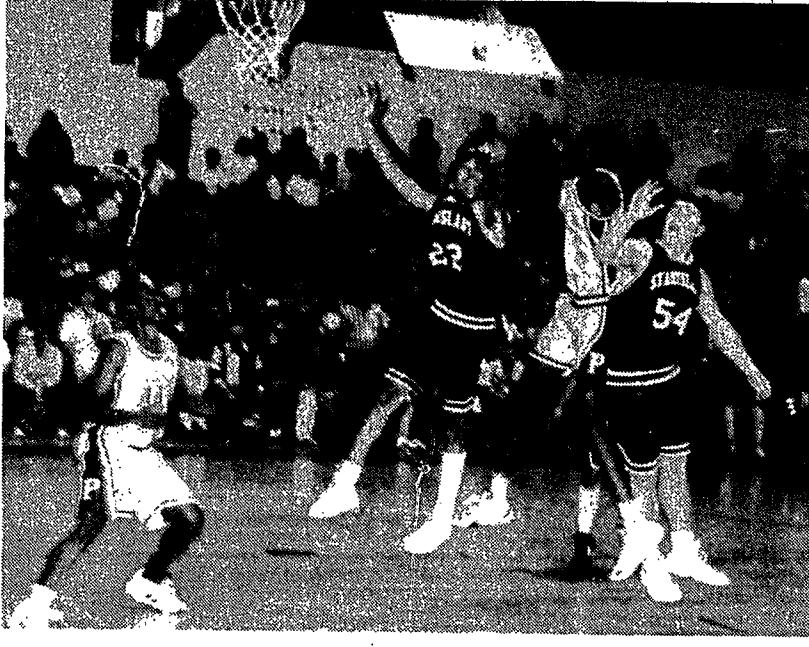
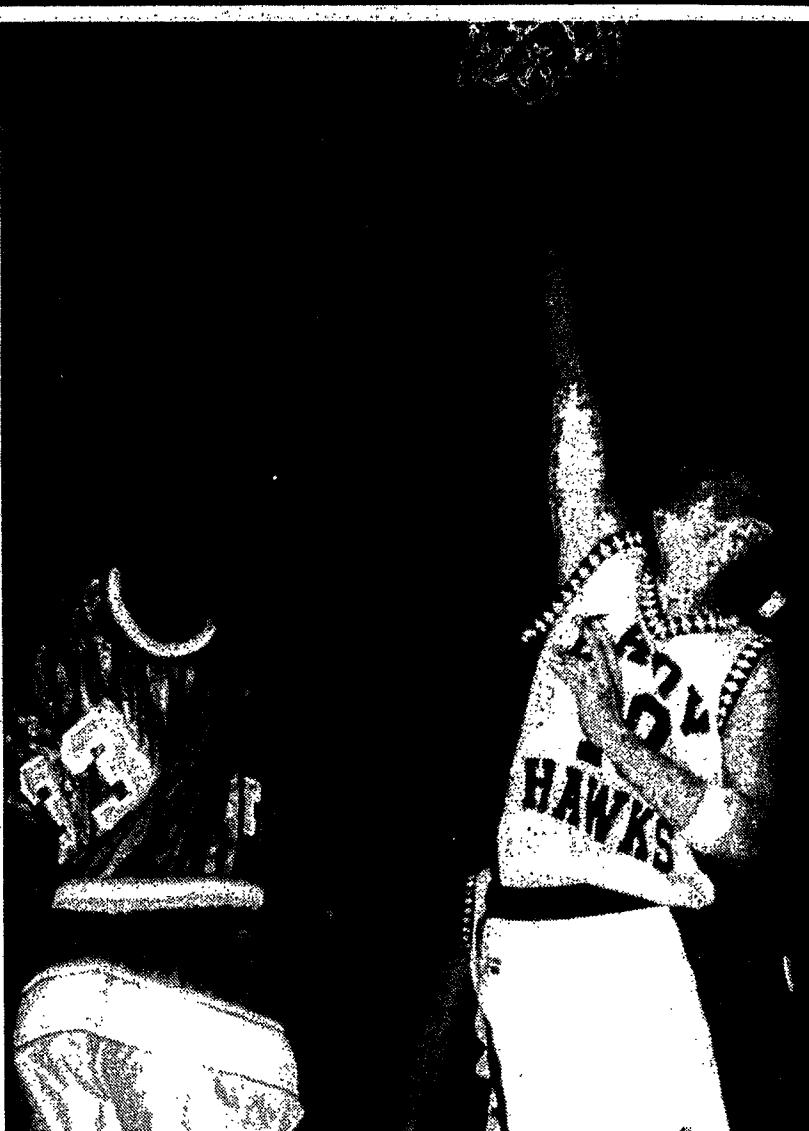
The third period saw the Rocks ignite and push the Tide to the brink.

Junior Davis opened the third period with back-to-back treys for SSC to make the score 27-19 with 7:03 left to play.

With a balanced scoring attack and intense pressure defense of their own, the Rocks crept back into the ballgame. At the end of the third period, SSC was down 32-29.

Grady Willis opened the fourth period with a jumper to pull the Rocks within a point at 32-31. However, that would be as close as the Rocks would get.

Picayune was able to hold off a hard-charging Rock team who



### Everybody up

St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws defenders leave the floor to block a Picayune shot in Friday's District 7-4A championship round. The Rocks lost the Picayune 50-45. Junior Davis, Paul Farve and Zeke Davis were named to All District team. (Echo staff photo by B. R. Hawkins)

Coach Jay Ladner was named the Coach of the Year in the boys' division.

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 18 SEMI-FINAL ROUND

#### St. Stanislaus, 68

The Rocks advanced to the title game by routing the Columbia Wildcats 68-26 on Thursday night.

The Rocks started the game with a 10-2 run and finished the first period with a 27-9 lead.

SSC increased their lead to 40-21 by halftime. However, the real show came in the second half when the Rocks held the Columbia Wildcats, a team that scored 77 points on the Rocks just last Friday, to only five second half points.

SSC outscored the Wildcats 15-2 in the third period and 13-3 in the final period.

The Rocks will travel to Stone County on Tuesday for a first round South State playoff game at 7 p.m. The Tide will host East Central on the same night.

#### All Division Honors

The area players named to the All-Division 7 Class 4A team are Jeremy Garriga of Hancock, Stevie Lizana, Louis Dunklin, and Jason Robinson all of Bay High, and Junior Davis, Paul Farve, and Zeke Davis all of St. Stanislaus.

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### Tagged out

Pearl River Community College's Wildcat baseball team lost to the Bishop State Wildcats (Ala.) 5-3, 5-4 Monday in their 1999 season-opening doubleheader on the PRCC diamond. Here PRCC infielder Casey Weems (10) is tagged out at home in the second game. Weems, a freshman out of Bay High in Bay St. Louis, was hitless in the opener, but singled in the nightcap. PRCC returned to action Saturday with a 1 p.m. doubleheader against Holmes in Goodman, then eye a noon nine-inning battle with Jefferson Davis Community College in Brewton, Ala. on Tuesday. Holmes visits Poplarville Saturday, Feb. 20. The Wildcats open their 1999 South Division schedule Saturday, March 2, against Jones in Ellisville. (PRCC sports information photo by Mitch Deaver)

### PRCC to field men, women soccer teams

Pearl River Community College will field men and women intercollegiate soccer teams this fall.

The Pearl River Board of Trustees approved soccer as a new sport during the regular February meeting after the college received authorization to provide tuition scholarships from the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.

"We certainly look forward providing an opportunity to make this educational opportunity available to students within our six-county district," said PRCC President Ted Alexander. "The scholarships will be awarded to students from within district."

Athletic Director Keith Daniels said he was in the process of hiring a coach, setting sche-

dules, and purchasing the necessary equipment.

"We know there has been a dramatic increase in interest in the sport," said Alexander. "We are pleased to provide our district students with this avenue of competition at the collegiate level."

The biggest interest in the sport seems to be in the Petal, Hattiesburg, Oak Grove and North Forrest areas in the northern portion of the PRCC district and in the Hancock County and Picayune areas of the south.

College officials said soccer will be a fall sport and will include about 20 matches each year. Pearl River presently competes in intercollegiate football, basketball, baseball, softball, golf and tennis.

### BSL Little League fast pitch girls softball sets registration

Bay St. Louis Little League Girls Fast Pitch Softball registration for girls, ages five through 18, will be at McDonald Field from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m., on Friday, Feb. 26 and from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 27.

Registration fee is \$30 for the first child; \$25 for second child and \$20 for each additional child. A copy of a certified birth certificate required.

## Toughwoman World Championship set for Friday at Casino Magic

AdoreAble Promotions Inc., in conjunction with Pay-Per-View, presents The Toughwoman World Championship live at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Friday Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. The event will be co-hosted by former Toughman Eric "Butterbean" Esch.

Tickets are \$10, \$20, \$40 and \$50 per seat and may be purchased through TicketMaster or at the Casino Magic Gift Shop.

Shannon "Dallas" Hall (10-0, 9 KOs) battles "The All-American" Suzy Taylor (9-1-1, 7

KOs) for the IBA title. Both at 5'10", they will square off in the first-of-its-kind title fight.

The Toughest Women in the World" slug it out for \$10,000 as Toughwoman competitors face each other in a single elimination boxing contest in duration of approximately three minutes each, all in the pursuit of the title, "Toughwoman World Champion."

The Toughwoman contests have been a huge success both with spectators and the paying audience. In 1997, "Dallas," from the American

Gladiators, proved herself the toughest woman alive against fierce competition. She then moved on to land the IFBA Platinum Championship in 1998 and is now fighting for the IBA Women's Heavyweight Championship of the World.

Toughman has been the springboard for such celebrities as Tommy Morrison, Greg Haugen and Mr. T. The most recent notable is the undefeated pro, Eric "Butterbean" Esch.

Butterbean also stars on the Sega Genesis game, "Toughman," and has appeared on

"The Tonight Show starring Jay Leno" on numerous occasions. Butterbean will be on site as the co-host of the event.

The Toughman concept was conceived and started in Bay City, Mich. by local businessman Art Dore. It all began when Dore rented a local arena and opened it to guys who wanted to prove their toughness.

He says fight fans get to see what they really want: the hometown heroes and the seasoned street fighters at various skill levels with lots of guts.

### Diamondhead Nines winners told

Diamondhead Nines winners include:

**Jan. 19, Even Holes**

First flight: first, Shirley Schaeffer; second, Marge Dieball; third, Sue Munn.

Second flight: first, Pat Heyd; second, Dot Sierveld; third, Evelyn Young.

Third flight: first, Margaret Joly; second, Glenda Hendricks; third, Jerrie Guidroz.

Birdies: Shirley Schaeffer and Sue Munn.

Chip-ins: Sue Munn, Margaret Joly, and Elaine Smith had two chip-ins.

**Jan. 26, Scramble**

First, Glenda Hendricks and Gretchen Bourgeois.

Second, Kay Horn, Rosemary Bacigalupo and Jerrie Guidroz.

Third, Clare Chauffe, Evelyn Young and Terrie Byrd.

Fourth, Marge Dieball, Shirley Cameron and Verna Terry.

Birdie: No. 4, Julie Baudry.

Chip-ins: Jerrie Guidroz and Dottie Smith; and No. 9, Diana Johnson.

**Feb. 2, Trophy Day**

First flight: low gross, Donna Hanna; low net, Emmy Swink; low putts, Charlene Smuck.

Second flight: low gross, Martha Pearson; low net, Dottie Smith; low putts, Julie Baudry.

Third flight: low gross, Marie Bailey; low net, Diana Johnson; low putts, Jerrie Guidroz.

Chip-ins: Jerrie Guidroz and Dottie Smith.

**Feb. 9, Mulligan on one-tee shot**

First flight: first, Marilyn Dehnbozel; second, Ellen Nutting; third, Donna Hanna.

Participants will be weighed and measured at the tryouts. All applicants must be female, single, and no older than 21 years. In addition, participants must wear a dance leotard, tights and tennis shoes. Dance experience is desired.

Candidates will be taught a dance and kick routine during the session and will be evaluated by judges on ability to learn and perform a routine, rhythm and coordination, personal appearance, sharpness and precision, poise and showmanship and flair.

If necessary, a personal interview may be used for some participants. Tryouts are closed to all spectators. Members of the String of Pearls dance team are required to reside on PRCC's Poplarville campus during the 1999 fall semester.

Those selected will receive a \$500 scholarship for the fall semester.

For information, write: PRCC Fine Arts Department, Station A, Box 5388, Poplarville, MS 39470 or call (601) 795-1180.

## USM recognizes athlete scholars

The University of Southern Mississippi has recognized Caroline Weems of Pass Christian among a total of 120 student-athletes for outstanding academic effort during the fall semester.

A total of 17 student-athletes were named to the President's List, which recognizes students who achieve a perfect 4.0 grade point average on at least 12 hours of course work for a semester.

There were also 57 student-athletes named to the Dean's List, which recognizes students for a 3.25 or better on a minimum of 12 hours of course work.

A total of 40 others were named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll, which recognizes student-athletes who achieve at least a 3.0 grade point average for the semester.

Weems earned a 3.33 in pre-nursing. She is a member of the USM tennis team.

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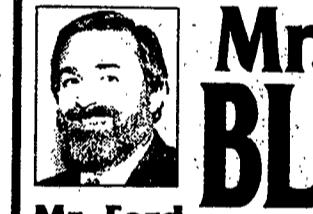
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## International Trade Club plans Wednesday meeting

The International Trade Club of Mississippi Inc. will meet Wednesday, Feb. 24 at the Great Southern Club in Gulfport.

The meeting will include a reception and dinner, followed by a presentation from Harrison Ford, director of the Mississippi Export Assistance Center in Raymond. The center is a division of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Ford will share market and trade resources available to Mississippi businesses interested in or engaged in international trade.

In addition, Ford holds a law degree from the University of Southern Mississippi and will discuss the legalities of an International Distributor's Agreement. Title of the presentation is "Know Your Legal

Rights and Responsibilities and Help From Your Resources."

Ford is also the new 1999 vice president of the Central Chapter International Trade Club in Jackson.

There will be a reception, 6-6:30 p.m. with cocktails sponsored by International Trade Club of Mississippi Inc. Southern Chapter, Mississippi Gulf Coast. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m., The Great Southern Club, One Hancock Plaza, Gulfport. Cost is \$15 for members and guests, \$18 for non-members.

Cancellations are required at least a day prior to the event. No-shows will need to be billed. Call Aleta Smith at 601-392-0907 on or before Feb. 22 for reservations. Special dietary requests should be made known at that time.

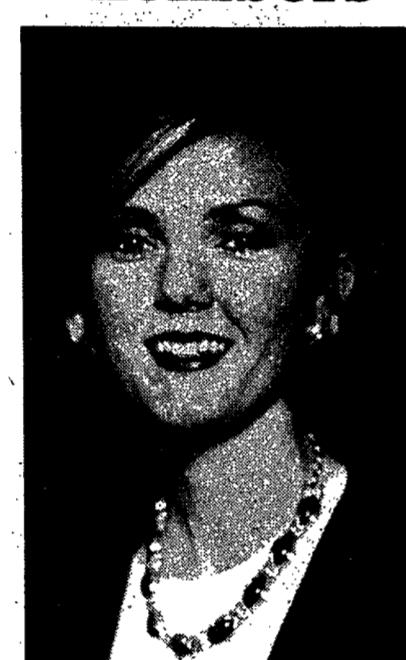
## Public relations group names board members

The Public Relations Association of Mississippi has elected Christian Reese of Casino Magic Bay St. Louis as its new president. Other officers elected by the organization are Dayonne McGuire, USM-Gulf Park, vice president; Sharon Fitzhugh, Gulf Publishing, secretary; Debbie Reno, Gulfport VA Federal Credit Union, program chairman; and Jerry Tarranto, Keesler Medical Center, treasurer.

Board members at large are Margaret Chenuant of Brown, Baer & Wilcox and Paul Maxwell of Hancock County Co./Hancock Bank. The board also includes Sheila White, immediate past president, of USM-Gulf Park.

The Public Relations Association of Mississippi (PRAM) is a statewide professional organization, consisting of business people in the fields of public relations, marketing, community relations, sales and others.

PRAM-Mississippi Beach is the local chapter for Hancock



Christian Reese

and Harrison counties and meets once per month.

For information on joining, contact Dayonne McGuire at (228) 867-8778.

## MMS issues final notice of sale for Central Gulf of Mexico Sale 172

The U.S. Department of the Interior's Minerals Management Service (MMS) published the Final Notice of Sale for Central Gulf of Mexico (GOM) Sale 172 in the *Federal Register*. The sale will be held March 17 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, 500 Poydras Plaza, New Orleans.

"This is the fourth annual Central Gulf of Mexico sale in which blocks in depths of 200 meters or more are eligible for royalty relief under the Deep Water Royalty Relief Act," said MMS Deputy Director Tom Kitsos.

"Royalty relief has contributed to an unprecedented level of new activity in the Gulf of Mexico. In this sale, there are 2,970 deepwater blocks," he explained.

The final Notice of Sale covers 3,807 available blocks encompassing about 20.37 million acres in the Central GOM Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Plan-

ning Area offshore Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. Blocks in this sale area are located from three to approximately 200 miles offshore in water depths ranging from four to more than 3,425 meters.

Sale 172 will be the 56th OCS lease sale in the Central Gulf. Copies of the final Notice of Sale are available from the Gulf Region's Public Information Office, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, New Orleans, LA 70123-2394, (504) 736-2519 or 1-800-200-GULF. Supplemental documents may also be obtained from that office.

MMS is the federal agency that manages the nation's natural gas, oil and other mineral resources on the OCS; and collects, accounts for, and last year disbursed about \$6 billion in revenues from federal offshore mineral leases and from onshore mineral leases on federal and Indian lands.



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The stock market has enjoyed amazing growth in the past decade, but there are still those who stay away from stocks for fear of losing money. If this describes you, perhaps a few facts will help you understand the value of stock investing.

There are no guarantees with stock investments, but history has shown that the odds are in your favor. Consider the track record of the Standard & Poor's 500 Index from 1937 through the end of 1997, a 61-year period. The index achieved gains in 46 of those years, with losses in only 15—that's better than 3-to-1 odds. And the index's average annual compound return over those 61 years was more than 11.5 percent.

Sure, the stock market experiences declines. Just last year, the Dow Jones Industrial Average lost 19 percent from July to August. The previous bear market occurred in 1990, when the Dow lost more than 21 percent.

But there are bigger risks in not being invested. To illustrate, consider the 20-year

period from year-end 1977 to year-end 1997. A hypothetical \$1 invested in the S&P 500 for the entire period would have grown to \$21.75, assuming reinvestment of all income.

But if that \$1 had missed the best 15 months, its worth would have been only \$5.50—slightly better than the \$4.08 it would have been worth if it had been invested in 30-day U.S. Treasury bills over the same period. Being out of the market only 6 percent of the time would have cost your investment about 75 percent of possible gains.

Getting out may seem like a good option at times, but the question then becomes, when do you get back in? When investors think the market has hit bottom, they may wait to see some confirmation. By then, the best days of the recovery may be gone. Successfully timing the market is nearly impossible.

Smart investors stay invested through short-term declines, because they know that, over time, the odds are in their favor. Choose high-quality investments, stay in long enough, and you'll win.

## Ayers completes training

Jane Ayers, a sales associate with ERA Bayshore Realty, completed an accredited course on 1031 Tax-Deferred Exchange. The course introduced techniques to help Ayers be more productive in her market including understanding customers' needs and ways to provide better service.

"The 1031 Tax-Deferred Exchange course gave me the tools to better assist investors with their real estate needs," Ayers said. "I was able to put the information to work immediately. My clients were very appreciative."

According to Ayers, "Continuing education is a must to effectively serve the real estate needs of clients and customers. Markets change, laws change and so do the tools needed to accommodate those changes. Providing for client needs if my No. 1 priority."

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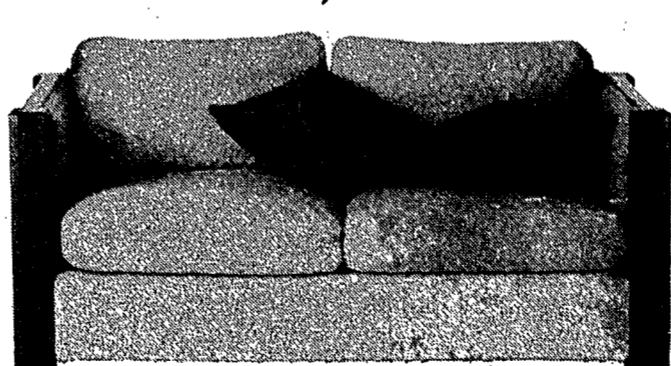
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King Julius Theodore, toast the crowd. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



Robert Dorsey and Pat Tice greet parade viewers. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



A Kid's World sponsored by the Timms family of Gulfport rolls again. (Echo staff photo by Kelly Blanchard)



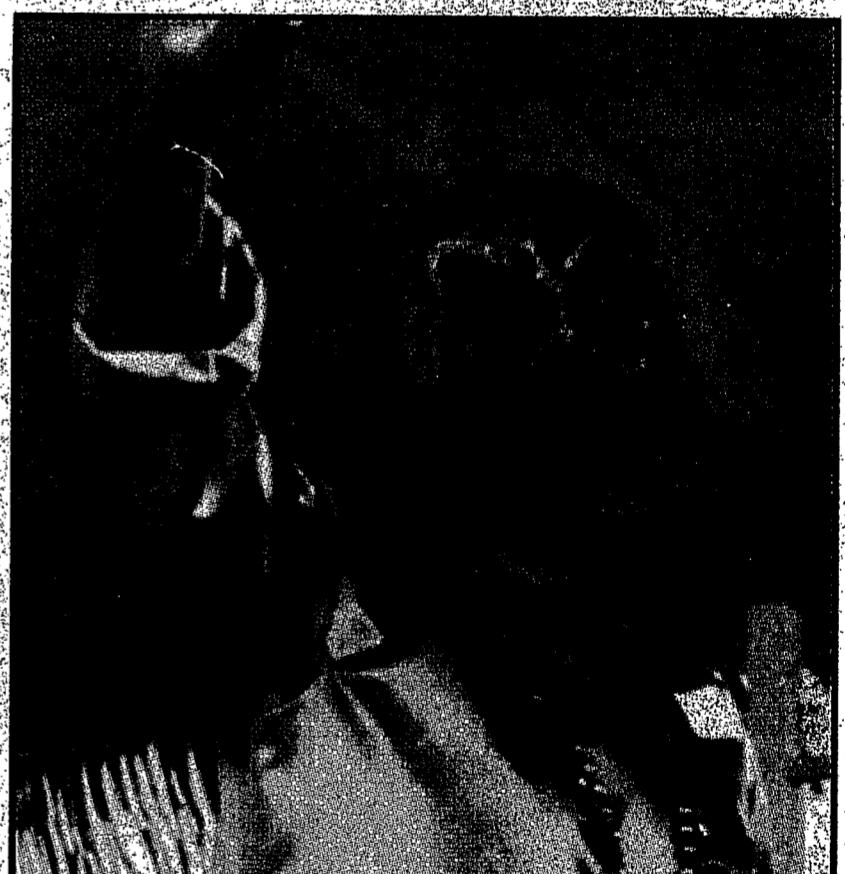
Club Unique represents the traditions of Jamaica. (Echo staff photo by Kelly Blanchard)



Parade Captain Sandra Price holds court in the 18th annual parade. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



Betty Ward, a Native American, celebrates down Beach Boulevard. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



Gloria Payne, mother of Queen Candace Payne, warms the crowd with a smile. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



Krewe of Strictly Business, left, under the direction of Alberta Perkins, marched along. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



Britney Williams, presented by the ladies of Peter Clamborn Knights of Columbus, bids us a Mardi Gras 1999 farewell. (Echo staff photo by Kelly Blanchard)

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## Krewe of Diamondhead rolls through town

**Parade Winners:**  
Best overall and animation: "Spirit of Diamondhead", the birth of Mickey Mouse float-Wanda Newman and Sue Jerome, float lieutenants.

Most original: "Krewe of Tiki", Television Show Float-S.J. Smith, director.

1st place: "Krewe of LaFontaine", Pirates of the Mississippi Sound-Rodney LaFontaine, float lieutenant.

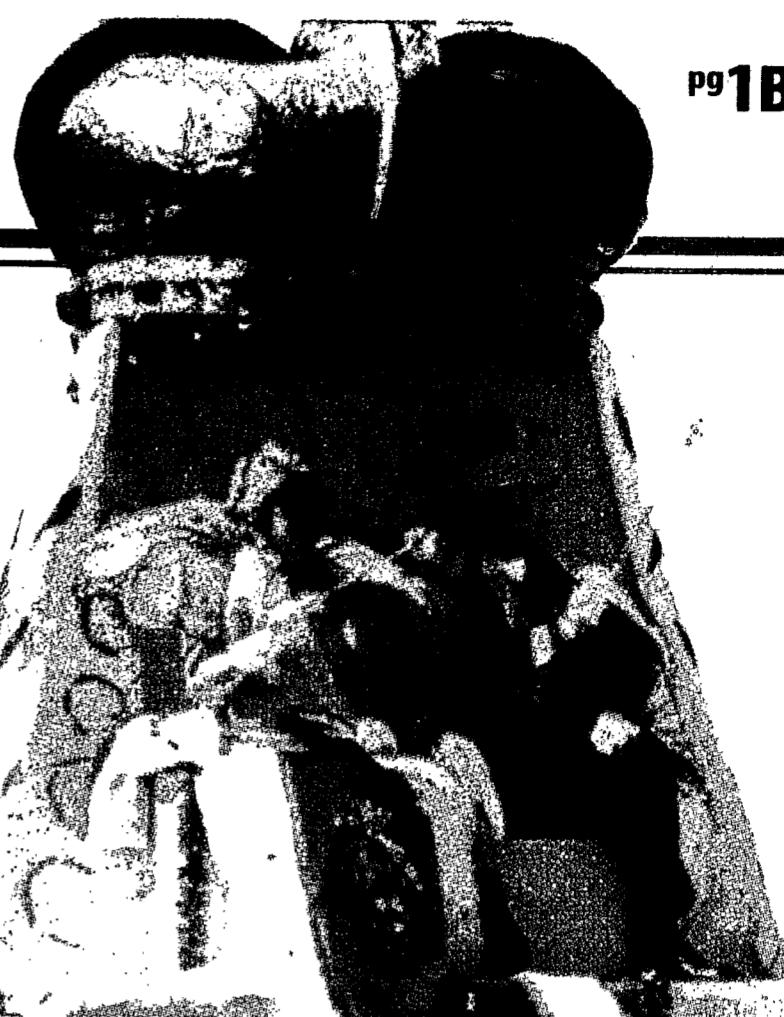
2nd place: "Krewe of Kahuna", McDonald's Restaurant float-David and Laverne Underwood, float lieutenants.

1st place golf cart: "Diamondhead Women's Club", Wonderful World of Disney theme-June Murphy, director.

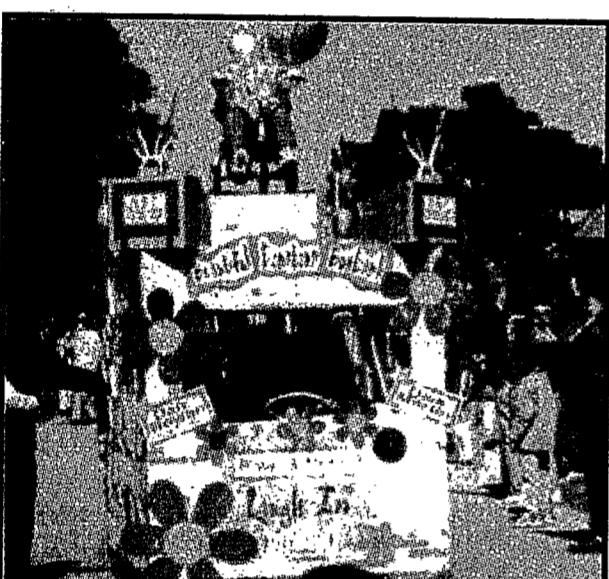
2nd place golf cart: "Lunch 21", gambling theme-Susan Doty, director.

1st place misc.: "1924 Model T Ford", James Ross, owner/driver.

2nd place misc.: "Telecommunication", Coast K-9 Performers of Ocean Springs-Naomi Kibbler, director.



King Ali'i Honua John Sibley and Queen Sandra Sibley  
(Echo staff photos by B.R. Hawkins)



The crowds turned out for the Krewe of Diamondhead parade that rolled through the city last Saturday. John Sibley and Sandra Sibley ruled as king and queen over the parade this year. Many floats featured unique and original ideas put into reality as the photos show.

## St. Paul's Carnival Association parades through the Pass

Under sunny skies and mild temperatures, the St. Paul Carnival Association paraded through the streets of Pass Christian last Sunday.

### Parade Winners:

#### Family In Town

1st place: Gallagher's Unlimited  
2nd place: Krewe of L'Adnier  
3rd place: Hayden & Outlaws

#### Family Out of Town

1st place: Krewe of Kool  
2nd place: Krewe of Phantasia  
3rd place: Simpson family & friends

#### Business In Town

1st place: Hancock Bank  
2nd place: Jenkins' Krewe & Bo 2  
Business Out of Town

#### Business Out of Town

1st place: Sea Wolves  
2nd place: Krewe of Crown  
Organization In Town

1st place: Tricentennial Committee  
Organization Out of Town

1st place: Krewe of Kenski  
2nd place: Deuces Krewe of Friends

#### Marching Group

Ye Olde Biloxi Marching Club  
Live Music

#### Movin' On Up

Out of Town In Theme  
Krewe of Phantasia  
Special Achievement  
Matkin/Taylor Production

#### Float Costumes

#### Folie AKrewe



(Echo staff photos by Kelly Blanchard)

## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

MENUS  
FEB. 22-26  
Chef Salad, Crackers,  
Milk and Condiments  
served daily

Bay St. Louis-  
Waveland  
School District

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday — Cinnamon Bun,  
Cereal, Toast, Juice.  
Tuesday — Sausage Biscuit,  
Cereal, Toast, Juice.  
Wednesday — Scrambled Eggs,  
Cereal, Toast, Juice.  
Thursday — Cinnamon-Raisin  
Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Juice.  
Friday — Grits and Hashbrowns,  
Cereal, Toast, Juice.  
LUNCH

Monday — Beefaroni, BBQ Rib  
Sandwich, Seasoned Green Beans,  
Mixed Vegetables, Seasoned Cab-  
bage, Applesauce, Peach Slices,  
Fresh Fruit Bowl, Yeast Roll, Fruit  
Cobbler.  
Tuesday — Pepperoni Pizza,  
Sloppy Joe, French Fries, Whole  
Kernel Corn, Green Peas, Fresh  
Fruit Bowl, Tropical Fruit Mix,  
Fresh Melon Cubes, Crackers, Ap-  
plesauce Cake.  
Wednesday — Macaroni and  
Cheese with Ham, BBQ Pork on  
Bun, Baked Sweet Potatoes and  
Apples, Peas and Carrots, South-  
ern Greens, Cateoloupe, Chilled  
Pears, Fresh Oranges, Yeast Roll,  
Chewy Fudge Brownie.  
Thursday — Red Beans and Rice  
with Sausage, Grilled Chicken  
Sandwich, Seasoned Potato Cuts,  
Broccoli with Cheese, Glazed Car-  
rots, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Mandarin  
Fruit Cup, Peach Slices, Yeast Roll.  
Friday — Chili and Grilled Cheese  
Sandwich, American Sub, French  
Fries, California Veggies, Carrot  
Sticks with Dip, Tropical Apples,  
Fruit Cocktail, Fresh Fruit Bowl,  
Crackers.

Hancock  
High School

Served daily:  
Chef Salad, Bread,  
Dessert and Milk  
Condiments:

Mustard/Mayo/Ketchup  
Sweet and Sour/Salsa  
BBQ Sauce, Hot Sauce or  
Taco Sauce

LUNCH  
Monday — Chicken Nuggets,  
Cheesburger, Oven-baked Wedge,  
Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Sal-  
ad, Chilled Pears, Applesauce,  
Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers.  
Tuesday — Spaghetti with Meat  
Sauce, American Sandwich, Tater  
Tots, Cheesy Broccoli and Cauli-  
flower, Sandwich Trim, Fruit Cock-  
tail, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Garlic  
Bread, Crackers.  
Wednesday — Beef Tips over Noodles,  
BBQ Pork Burger, Baked Beans,  
French Fries, Green Peas, Apples,  
Waldorf Tropical Fruit Cup, Fruit  
Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers.  
Thursday — Pizza, Vegetable Beef  
Soup and Sandwich, Garden Salad,  
Mixed Vegetables, Raw Veggies  
with Dip, Apples, Peach Slices,

FEMA issues consumer guide  
to preparing for Y2K

The Federal Emergency  
Management Agency (FEMA)  
has issued a consumer's guide  
to preparing for the year 2000,  
the Y2K Bulletin. It is part of  
FEMA's effort to provide  
timely, accurate information on  
preparedness for Y2K.

"Being prepared is key to de-  
aling with any potential  
emergency, whether natural or  
man made," said FEMA Director  
James Lee Witt. "We need to  
take the same approach we use  
with hurricanes, tornadoes or  
floods — prepare for the worst  
and hope for the best."

When the calendar turns to  
2000 (Y2K), problems may occur  
because many computer-  
driven systems were designed  
to recognize the last two digits  
as designations for a year.

The Y2K Bulletin contains  
answers to questions most com-  
monly asked about Y2K, what  
to do about consumer electronic  
products, including your per-  
sonal computer, and steps for  
small-business owners to take,  
among other topics.

"It is important that we tell  
the American people every-  
thing we know, for an educated  
public will always make the  
right decisions," FEMA Deputy

Fruit Juice, Cornbread, Crackers,  
Vanilla Pudding.  
Friday — Taco Salad, Fish Burger,  
Whole Kernel Corn, Peas and Car-  
rots, Tossed Salad, Orange  
Wedges, Frozen Juice Bar, Fruit  
Juice, Crackers, Rice Krispie Treat.

Hancock  
North Central  
Gulfview and  
Charles B. Murphy  
Elementary Schools

Served daily:  
Chef Salad, Bread,  
Dessert and Milk  
Condiments:  
Mustard/Mayo/Ketchup  
Sweet and Sour/Salsa  
BBQ Sauce, Hot Sauce or  
Taco Sauce

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday — Grilled Cheese Sand-  
wich, Pineapple Chunks.  
Tuesday — Elapsticks, Juice.  
Wednesday — Ham Biscuit,  
Juice.  
Thursday — Pancakes, Chilled  
Peaches.  
Friday — Grilled Cheese Sand-  
wich, Diced Pears.

**LUNCH**  
Monday — Chicken Nuggets,  
Cheesburger, Oven-baked Wedge,  
Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Sal-  
ad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice,  
Crackers.  
Tuesday — Spaghetti with Meat  
Sauce, American Sandwich, Tater  
Tots, Cheesy Broccoli and Cauli-  
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tail, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Garlic  
Bread, Crackers.

Wednesday — Beef Tips over Noodles,  
BBQ Pork Burger, Baked Beans,  
French Fries, Green Peas, Apples,  
Waldorf Tropical Fruit Cup, Fruit  
Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers.

Thursday — Fried Chicken, Pizza,  
Mashed Potatoes with Cheese,  
Mixed Vegetables, Raw Veggies  
with Dip, Apples, Fruit Juice,  
Cornbread, Crackers.

Friday — Taco Salad, Chicken  
Spaghetti, Whole Kernel Corn,  
Peas and Carrots, Tossed Salad,  
Orange Wedges, Frozen Juice Bar,  
Yeast Bread Sticks, Crackers.

Deadline for entries is March  
20.

Awards are: Best in Show,  
\$300; Exceptional Merit  
Awards of \$200 each, and Merit  
Awards of \$100 each.

Chairman is Rita Meadows.  
For information or a prospectus,  
call (228) 374-5547.

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**Free poetry  
contest offered**

The Bard of Burk, one of  
America's foremost poetry  
societies, is sponsoring a free  
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ing is March 22.

To enter, send one poem on  
any subject, using any style, 21-  
lines or less to: Free Poetry Con-  
test, 2219 W. Olive Ave., Suite  
250, Burbank, CA 91506, or enter  
online at [www.freecontest.com](http://www.freecontest.com).

"Our contest is open to everyone  
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poem," says Poetry Director Dr.  
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'Chicken Soup With Rice'  
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"Chicken Soup with Rice" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 10:30 a.m.

*Stone Soup* and *Yum Yum Soup* are books to be read. Susan Daigre, program coordinator, will assist the children in making their own soup.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately a half hour. The Kiln Library hosts a story hour every other Thursday, which will begin Sept. 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school-age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For story hour information, contact David Woodburn, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Public Library, 467-5282; Sandra Ladner, Kiln Library, 255-1724.



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Artwave invites area artists

Area artists are invited to enter  
the 13th annual Artwave  
juried exhibition which will be  
held June 1-22 at the George E.  
Ohr Arts and Cultural Center

This is a recognized regional  
exhibit of contemporary art.  
Juror for the exhibit is Jo Paton  
from Fairhope, Ala.

Fee for three sides is \$15 for  
Artwave members and \$20 for  
non-members.

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Sue Sickles will give oil  
painting instructions Saturday,  
Feb. 27 beginning at 9 a.m. Cost  
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To register, call Personal  
Touch at 467-7261.

Submissions to Artin' About  
should be sent to The Sea Coast  
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## Area students place in science fair regional competition



Margaret Reynolds



Clayton Tate



Brad Reinhart



Samantha Moody



Margaret Montgomery

Approximately 50 local students placed in the Region 6 Science and Engineering Fair held Jan. 20-21 at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center.

The fair is sponsored by the University of Southern Mississippi's Institute of Marine Sciences, the Naval Research Laboratory, the Mississippi Department of Marine Sciences, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium.

Local winners are listed by subject, category and grade class. Classes are Class 1, grades 1-3; Class 2, grades 4-6; Class 3, grades 7-8; Class 4, grades 9-10; and Class 5, grades 11-12.

Elementary Region 6 Science Fair winners include:

**Behavioral and social science:** Class 1, fifth, Tiffany Marquar, Gulfview Elementary; Class 2A, second, Marie Laptas, Hancock North Central Elementary; third, Brooke Jones, Pass Christian Elementary; fifth, Maegen Besancon, Pass Christian Elementary; Class 2B, first, Brad Reinhart, St. Clare Elementary; and honorable mention, Nicole Eley, Bay Middle School.

**Botany and microbiology:** Class 2A, first, Clayton Tate, Hancock North Central Elementary; and Class 2B, honorable mention, Ashley Ladner, Bay Middle School.

**Chemistry and biochemistry:** Class 1A, fifth, Katherine Wilson, Hancock North Central; Class 2A, honorable mention, Sean Bradford, St. Clare Elementary; Class 2B, fourth, Rachel Jenkins, Pass Christian Elementary; and Class 2D, fifth, Chandler Piazza, St. Clare Elementary.

**Zoology, medicine and health:** Class 1A, third, Erin Ladner, DeLisle Elementary; fourth, Taylor Dearman, Hancock North Central Elementary; Class 2A, first, Margaret Reynolds, Bay Middle School; fourth, Chantelle Forrest, Gulfview Elementary; Class 2B, honorable mention, Meghan Flynt, Hancock North Central Elementary; Class 2C, third, Whitney Thomas, Bay Middle School; fifth, Jilene Baldree, Bay Middle School.

**Secondary Region 6 Science Fair winners include:**

**Behavioral and social science:** Class 3, third, Stephanie Phelps Pass Christian Middle School; fourth, Chad Musgrave, Pass Christian Middle School; fifth, Dustin Savoie, Pass Christian Middle School; honorable mention, Brian Seagren, Hancock North Central.

Elementary; honorable mention, Laura Chapman, St. Clare Elementary; Class 1B, second, Imani Tate, St. Clare Elementary; Class 2A, second, Cameron Black, Pass Christian Middle School; honorable mention, Crystal Gilmore, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Botany:** Class 3, first, Margaret Montgomery, Pass Christian Middle School; honorable mention, Crystal Westbrooks, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Chemistry and biochemistry:** Class 3, honorable mention, Crystal Westbrooks, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Earth and space science:** Class 4, fourth, Lakia Dedeaux, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Environmental science:** Class 3, third, Hannah Johnson, Pass Christian Middle School; fourth, Casie Alexander, Pass Christian Middle School; fifth, Janel Cohen, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Medicine and health science:** Class 3, fourth, Tara Liana, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Microbiology:** Class 3, honorable mention, John Emerson, Pass Christian Middle School.

**Physics:** Class 3, third, Katie Partridge, Pass Christian Middle School.

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**Math, computers, earth and space:** Class 1A, first, Samantha Moody, Hancock North Central Elementary; third, Bryan Lynch, Gulfview Elementary; fifth, Brian Seagren, Hancock North Central.

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## HONOR ROLLS

### St. Stanislaus High School

#### FIRST SEMESTER SENIORS

**President's List:** Jonathon Gagnon, Denny Le, Andres Osorno, Daniel Osorno.

**Alpha:** Thomas Brenan, Jamie Cuevas, Brandon Everett, Justin Gunter, Claudio Iombo, Steven Knight, David Oliver, Roger Ridgeway, Nathan Russo, Kris Schauburg, Justin Wadsworth, Scott Wallace.

**Beta:** James Barrera, Nicky Brookman, David Byrne, John Chilimigas, Diego De la Fuent, Daniel DeBlanc, Jeremy Edwards, Chris Gonin, Joey Groves, Jackson Harris, Tim Heavey, Seth Holt, Adam Knight, Brantley Ladrón, Greg LeBlanc, Patrick Lee, Justin Marcellus, Kevin Messer, Jimmy Michelli, Joseph Pearce, Jason Platz, Justin Puckne, Matt Schexnayder, Thomas Turnit.

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Mann, David May, Neil Norton, B. J. Peralta, Stephen Peterman, Ashley Piazza, Michael Schmidt, Dillon Sexton, Chad Taylor, David Taylor, Blake Theriot.

#### SOPHOMORES

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**Beta:** Brandon Arcement, Joaquin Balaguer, Jessie Battle, Luke Belcher, Nick Benvenuti, Gene Bourgeois, Joseph Bruno, Michael Carter, Patrick Clark, Jonah Dilenkoffer, Neil Favre, Jeffrey Harville, Greg LeBlanc, Brett Hode, Jeremy Keller, E. J. LeBlanc, Allen Leone, Ben McMath, Logan Terry, Paul Thibodeaux.

#### FRESHMEN

**Alpha:** Drew Cranford, Peston Ellis, Charlie Floyd, Jarrod Gilmore, Alex Ironmonger, Brian Landry, Sherwin Leung, Ryan Malone, Chris Manale, Chris Patterton, Randy Puglia, Brian Sy, Ryan Veach.

**Beta:** Brent Acker, Cherubin Alcalan, Sean Benoit, Billy Deben, Britt Hormanski, Stephen Kulkowski, Tony Le, Fisher Maddox, Stephen Majarie, Eddie Renz, Anthony Shaw, Tom Swayze Jr., Ryan Wattigney, Corey Willis.

#### EIGHTH GRADE

**President's List:** Ryan Davis, Padrick Dennis, Chris Griffith, Frederick Mallini, Kunal Patel.

**SEVENTH GRADE**

**President's List:** Charles Baxter, David Bradley, James Brodtmann, Thomas Koger, Andrew Waterman, Colin Wilson, Spencer Zeigler.

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**Beta:** Jarrod Bourgeois, Jeremy Burke, David Clayton, Kevin D'Spain, Adam Delgado, Jeff Fine, Tommy Henry, Michael Kivilan, Kyle Lewis, Will Loftus, Eric Lopresti, David May, Joe Mortimer, Andrew Petzello, Pepe Rivera, Christopher Roth, Josh Schultz, James Tingstrom, Chris Ward, Nicholas Weinmann, Louis West, Grady Grady.

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Terrific Kids at Hancock North Central Elementary School in the multi-age class include, front row from left, Lucinda Saucier and Joey Lottes; back row, Kari Moran, Torey Wornberger and Tyler Gann.



### Terrific second graders

Terrific Kids in the second grade at Hancock North Central Elementary School include, front row from left, Kara Chladek, Rachel Cuevas, Melissa Wilson, Samantha Moody, Kody Kellar and Guillermo Gibson; middle row, Jason Mitchell, Kayla Moran, Caitlin Guist, Katie Hamilton, Katie Wilson and Felicia Necaise; back row, Sarah Moran, Naomi Ladner, Rachael Fournet, Phillip Clark and Amanda Knoblock. Not pictured is Sabina Boudreaux.



### Terrific third graders

Terrific third graders at Hancock North Central Elementary School include, front row from left, Brittany Serdynski, Audrey Abrams, Dillon Shiyou, Hunter Futvoye, Cheyenne Clifton and DeRae Graham; second row, Natalie Pavolini, Courtney Lacoste, Skye Necaise, Danielle Pullens, Stephanie McGowan, Emily Mims and Heath Necaise; third row, Chance Ladner, Cedric Bolden, Justin Little, Ronnie Upton, Justin Cuevas and Bryant Compton; fourth row, Cindy Yager and Victoria McKinley. Not pictured is Kyle Prather.



### Terrific fourth graders

Terrific fourth graders at Hancock North Central Elementary School include, first row from left, Thomas Brown, Judson Lowery, Michelle Mills, Brandi Thornton, Kayla Chladek and Katie Knight; second row, Matthew Pellegrini, Cody Lacoste, Megan Ladner, Megan Rowley, Misty Woodcock and Dana Haas; third row, Christopher Curet, John Davidson, Donna Johnston, Melanie Wartenburg, Richard Sullivan and Charlson Smith; fourth row, Jonathan Reeves, Zach Necaise, Justin Laurent, Heather Malley and Chris Welch.

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### Area student earns degree

Jan Marie Honzinski of Bay St. Louis participated in the University of Iowa winter commencement ceremonies Dec. 18 and 19. Honzinski earned a PhD in exercise science.

### Football league seeks volunteers

Bay St. Louis Youth Football and Cheerleaders are organizing for the 1999 season and would like to invite anyone interested in participating as a board member, coach, team mom or dad, etc.

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## Taylor to receive the Hope Award

Congressman Gene Taylor will be the recipient of the 1999 Hope Award from the Mississippi Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

The Dinner of Champions honoring Gene Taylor, where he will be recognized for his outstanding civic and community service to the Gulf Coast and the state of Mississippi, will take place Tuesday, April 6 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Biloxi. Sonny Barq is serving as dinner chairman for the event.

The Hope Award is the highest award given by the Mississippi Chapter of the National

Multiple Sclerosis Society. It is given to a community leader who has demonstrated outstanding philanthropic generosity and community service.

The award is commonly conferred at the prestigious Dinner of Champions to appropriately honor corporate leaders and volunteers who have not only provided leadership or service in the fight against multiple sclerosis but to their communities as well.

In addition to honoring Congressman Taylor, the Dinner of Champions is a fund-raising event for the Mississippi Chap-

ter. Dinner reservations are \$750 for a table of 10 or \$100 for an individual reservation.

A limited number of Golden Circle Corporate Tables for \$2,500 or Silver Tier Tables for \$1,500 are available. Over 70 percent of the money raised will remain in Mississippi to support services and programs for the many Mississippians who deal with multiple sclerosis on a daily basis.

Every hour in the United States an adult learns that he or she has multiple sclerosis. Unexpectedly, healthy individuals in the prime of their per-

sonal and professional lives, generally between 20-40, are confronted by a medical diagnosis that changes their lives forever.

There is no cure yet, but there is renewed hope that a cause and cure are on the horizon.

Support of this event and other events will help end the devastating effects of multiple sclerosis.

For dinner reservations and further information on multiple sclerosis, call 1-601-856-7575 or 1-800-FIGHT-MS, ext. #1.



Gene Taylor

### Screen test

Jessica Leigh Compretta of Bay St. Louis wins the spot as spokeswoman for Shell Finish Line in Hattiesburg. After winning the screen test, Compretta is being cast in a series of television commercials in and around the Hattiesburg area.

### ARES looks to organize

Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) provides backup communications to public service agencies such as Civil Defense, Red Cross, Salvation Army, medical centers, etc. during emergencies, such as hurricanes, tornadoes and floods.

"We are just now in the process of organizing in Hancock County and hope to be able to provide some help during the upcoming hurricane season," said Jerry W. Leake of Kiln. For information, call 255-7362.

### Little Theatre auditions set

Bay St. Louis Little Theatre announces auditions for Neil Simon's Comedy, "Fools," at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Feb. 25 and 26 at the playhouse at 301 Boardman Avenue.

There are roles for seven men and three women over age 18. "Fools" tells the story of an enthusiastic young man who comes to a small Russian village to become its teacher.

He soon learns that the village is under a spell of stupidity which eventually strikes him, too. After much hilarity, the spell is broken, love triumphs and everybody lives happily ever after.

For information, call the director, Ed Davis, at 467-5264.

### Library book discussion group to meet

*Philadelphia Fire* by John Edgar Wideman will be the selection to be discussed at the library's book discussion group's next meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in the Seal Meeting Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The selection comes from the new volume, *The Evil and the Guilty*, which is an international collection of literature, philosophy and poetry.

Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the discussion group began in March, 1990. Since that time, they have completed 110 readings from great books (Plato, Hobbes, Locke, deTocqueville), Mississippi fiction, play readings and 20 philosophical questions. The group meets every other Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Reading selections have been chosen to stimulate lively shared inquiry discussions. This collection brings together works from around the world that speak to each other on a theme of universal significance.

A copy of *The Evil and the Guilty*, is available in the Reference collection of the library for those who may wish to read selections in the library.

For information, call David Woodburn at the library at 467-5282.

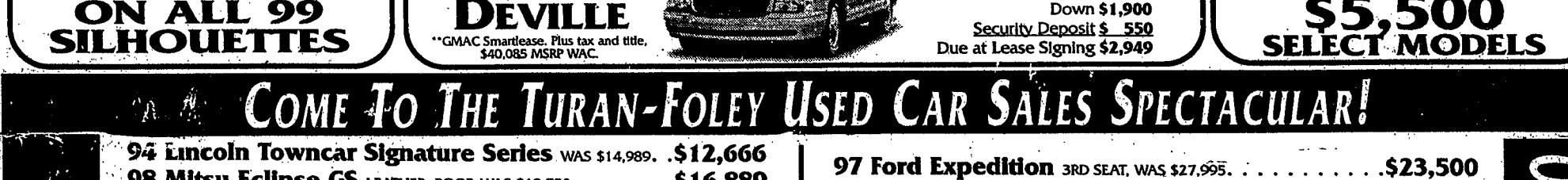
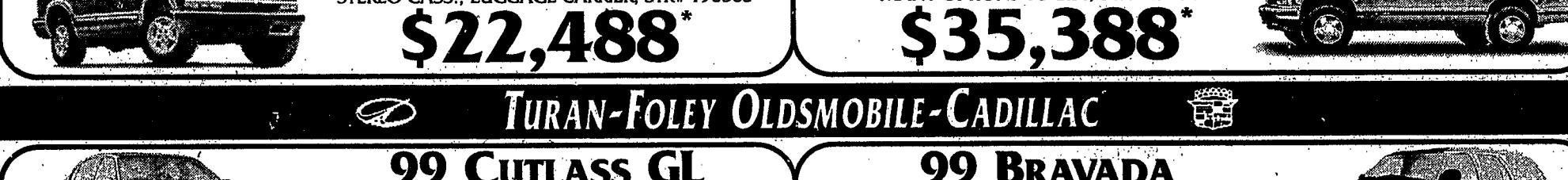
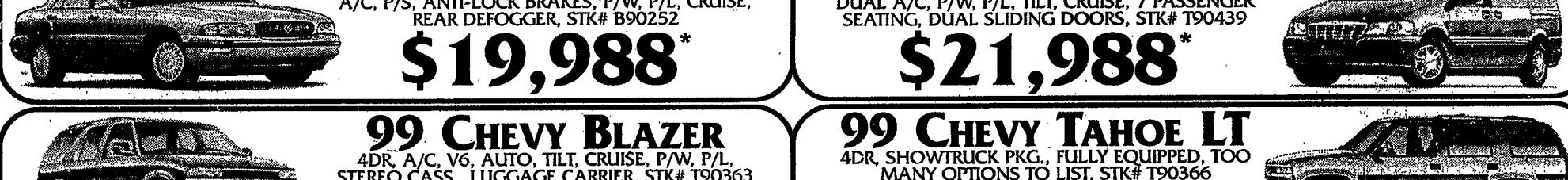
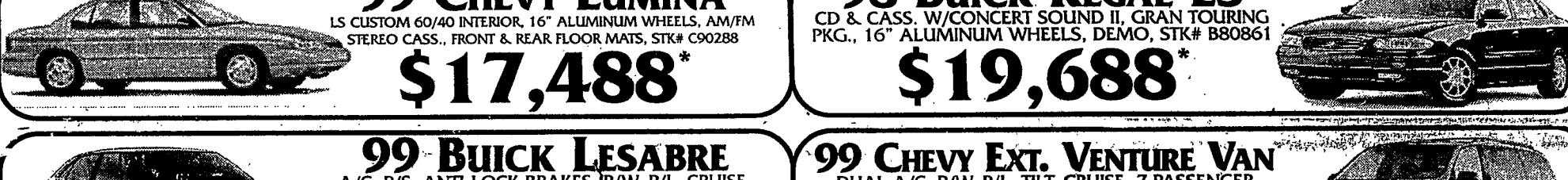
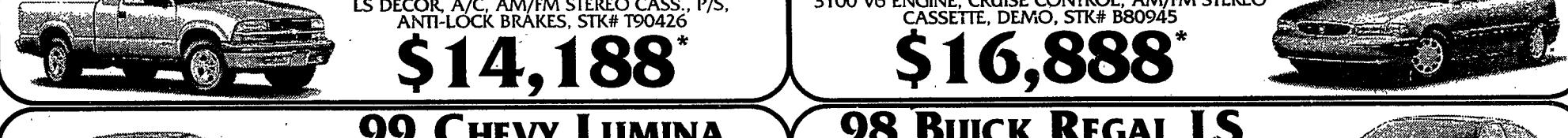
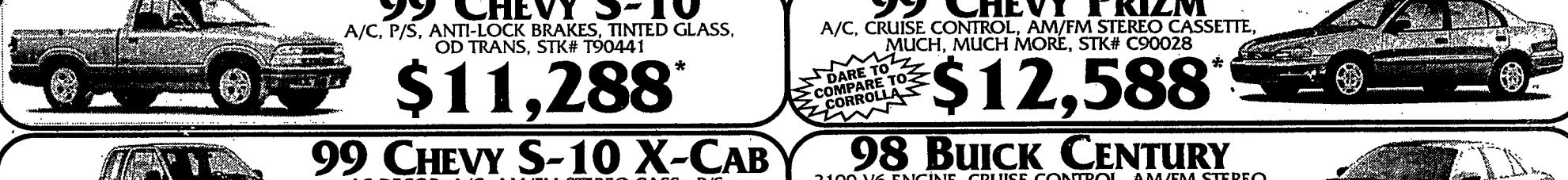
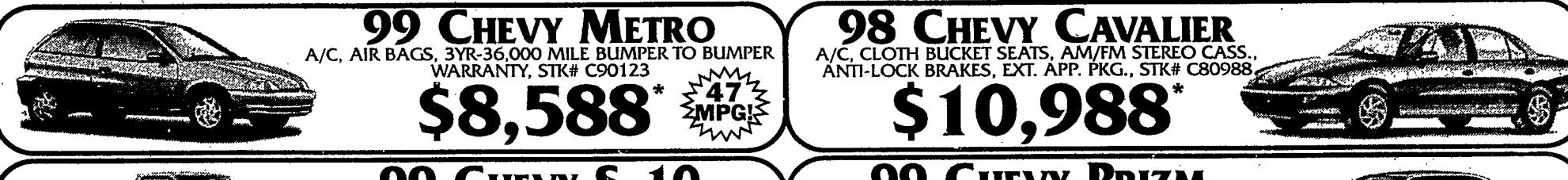
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97 Buick Skylark	4DR, AC, AUTO, WAS \$11,995.	\$.10,888
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## TOPS WAVELAND 307

TOPS Chapter MS 307 Waveland met Wednesday, Feb. 17 at the Waveland Public Library. Seventeen members were present. Luella was the week's best loser with 6½ pounds. Minnie won the incentive award.

Sherry got the perfect attendance award for this quarter. Marie received her six-week charm for weight losses with no gain. Jean presented a program on benefits of exercising in a water program. Paula was best KOPS loser for the week.

TOPS' web address is <http://www.tops.org>. Log on for loads of information. The weight loss chapter promotes enthusiasm, recognition, understanding and encourages sensible eating habits. Any one interested is welcome to join.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 4:45-5:30 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and/or maintaining weight loss is welcome to visit the chapter. Call Ruth at 466-9880 for information.

## Lions Club of Diamondhead

The Lions Club of Diamondhead held its annual Christmas banquet at Jackie O's Dec. 15.

Special guests were the winners of the Lions' annual Peace Poster contest for Hancock County Schools and their parents. The winners were Maressa Riley of Charles B. Murphy School and Miranda Rutherford of Gulfview.

The local winners' entries have been sent to Jackson where they will be judged in competition against other entries from across the state. Diamondhead Lions' entries last year won at the state level and survived until the final judging, which was held in New York.

Winner of the Basket of Cheer, the club's annual fund raiser, was Penny Hopkins of Pass Christian.

Addressing the March 16 meeting will be Lion Jerry Felder, who will present a program on Lionism. The public is invited.

The Lions of Diamondhead meet at 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of every month.

## Bridge Party Club

The Bridge Party Club in Diamondhead will meet Feb. 26 at 9:30 a.m. at the Yacht Club.

Chairman of this party is Lorraine Alvarez and co-chair is Ann Meyer. Other hostesses are Joyce Badgett, Joel Bourgeois, Dottie Doss, Betty Tracy, Mary Turner, Joellyn Wheat and Pris Williams.

Those unable to attend, should notify Alvarez at 255-1918 or Meyer at 255-5872 as soon as possible.

Winners of the December party were Shirley Blanchflower, first; Carolyn Deynoot, second and Betty Claggett, third.

For information about the club, call Vi Ellertson at 255-1273, or Audry Dean at 255-1755.

## Diamondhead Garden Club

The next meeting of the Diamondhead Garden Club will be Wednesday, March 17 at 10 a.m. in the Community Center. Mike Reader of WLOX, Channel 13 will talk about the unpredictability of weather prediction.

The new year brings a new crop of members. Those who have attended the required three meetings in order to be eligible were voted in at the January board meeting. The club welcomes Diana Blatchley, Jeannie Bluett, Audrey Cantrell, Kathleen Crockett, Jean Dorman, Kathy Jackson, Jackie LaNasa, Patsy Mosely, Cheryl Ramseyer, Doris Russell, Diane Tolivar and Earline Smith.

Garden of the Month honors went to Doris Sellers, 5451 Kaiki Drive.

The Commercial Award was given to Diamondhead POA for the entrance to the circle leading to the Yacht Club.

The missing Commercial Garden of the Month sign was discovered in a ditch and was turned in to the POA office. Thanks to the individual who did this. It saved the garden club having to purchase another sign.

The search is still on for the 1997-98 garden club scrapbook. Please contact Kristin Alyea at 255-6670 if you find it.

The annual Gulf Coast Spring Pilgrimage is coming up at the end of the month. Houses and gardens in Diamondhead will be on view Wednesday, March 24. Local newspapers will be publishing specifics for this event.

## Diamondhead Dance Club

The new beginner line-dance class started Jan. 10 and will continue for 10 weeks. (It is not too late to join.)

Clogging classes are held every Saturday at 10 a.m. New members are welcome at any time.

This month, three members, who have been dancing with the club for the past six years, are highlighted.

These charter members are Bette and Joe Winkler and Mary Bates. They are active members and participate in all activities, lending a hand whenever needed.

January activities included a performance in Pass Christian for the St. Paul's Carnival Organization and entertaining at Woodland Village Nursing Home. Club members danced Feb. 4 at the Mississippi Welcome Center and Feb. 6 in the Shangri-La Carnival Parade in Chalmette.

## Square &amp; Compass Club

The formal installation dinner of the Square & Compass Club was in December. Some 40 members, wives and guests dined and danced at the Yacht Club.

Outgoing 1998 president, Jerry Renshaw, was given a plaque in appreciation of his efforts for a job well done.

President Ed Dabler kicked off the new year by introducing his officers at the Jan. 13 meeting. They are vice-president, Merlin Smith; secretary, Al Hermann; treasurer, Don Perkins; and chaplain, George Watkins.

## Take Off Pounds Sensibly

## TOPS WAVELAND 233

TOPS MS 233 met Feb. 16 at the Waveland Public Library. Best loser was Jeanette with 4.5 pounds. There were 19 members present. The gift was won by Rebecca, and the incentive award was won by Rose. The program was presented by Shelley. The next program will be by Karen N. Election of officers will be March 2, and awards night will be March 9.

TOPS MS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are from 5-5:45 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight the sensible way and maintaining that weight loss is welcome to visit the TOPS chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Charlotte at 467-5790.

## Gulf Coast Opera Salon

The Gulf Coast Opera Salon will meet Feb. 25 at 10 a.m. at the Gulf Oaks Condominium Clubhouse, Ocean Springs.

A program will be presented by Mary Thigpen Spinks on African Americans in opera. Spinks is an active participant in the Gulf Coast Opera Theater Chorus, singing in many opera productions.

## SPCA of Diamondhead

The overwhelming problem of pet overpopulation continues to be the major focus of organizations assisting companion animals. The Doris Day Animal Foundation, in cooperation with several other animal advocacy groups has proclaimed Feb. 23 as "Spay Day USA 1999."

This year's event marks the fifth anniversary of this effort. In the previous four years, more than 250,000 pets have been spayed or neutered as a direct result of previous Spay Days.

This translates into an average of 62,500 spays/neuters per event, a really remarkable figure. In fact each succeeding Spay Day has seen an increasing number of pets being "fixed." (1998 Spay Day recorded at least 108,000 surgeries).

The object of the event is to focus the attention of the public on the problems that result from failure to neuter. It is timed to coincide with the spring breeding period.

The rallying cry of the Foundation for this event is "Your action today will make a difference tomorrow."

When one considers that a female dog and her offspring can produce 67,000 dogs in six years and that cats are approximately six times more fertile, the numbers of "pets" produced is staggering.

This is the primary reason that an estimated six to eight million animals are euthanized in shelters each year. Millions more are abandoned and die miserably on the streets.

We are already seeing the tragic sight of mother dogs and puppies and mother cats and kittens flooding the shelters across the country.

Many of those "owners" who turn them in (knowing that they have signed their death warrants) comment: "I am not going to put up with any more litters." The strong implication is that it is the "fault" of the pet that reproduced.

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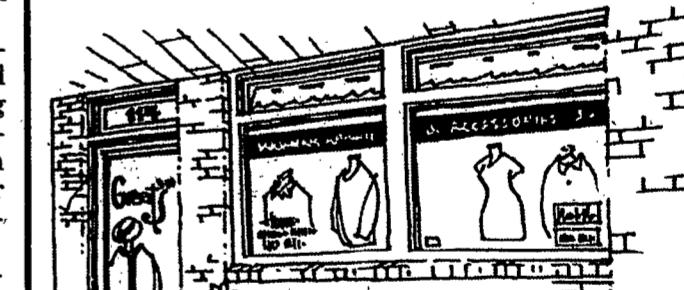
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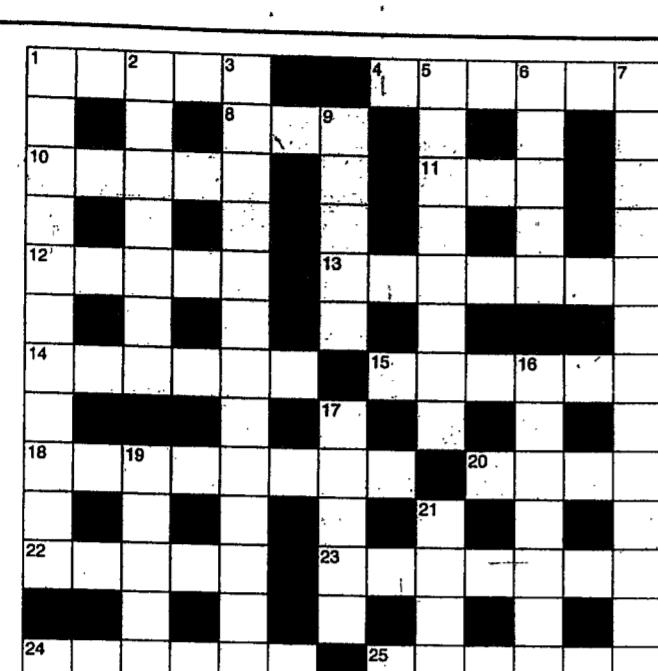
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### Gaming, TravelExpo to be held in Biloxi

*Travel Agent* magazine's Gaming & Specialty TravelExpo will be held April 26-28 on the Mississippi Gulf Coast at the new Beau Rivage, the largest casino/hotel outside of Nevada.

This niche marketing trade show for travel agents from coast to coast will also highlight a Southern Destination Showcase focusing on the 12-member states of the Travel South promotion group.

The announcement was made jointly by Martin B. Deutsch, president of Travel Agent Trade Shows; George Smith, director of Tourism Development, a division of the Mississippi Department of Economic and Community Development; Stephen B. Richer, executive director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau; and Ann Hoff, director of Hotel Marketing, Beau Rivage.

Beau Rivage will open in March under the leadership of casino industry pioneer Steve Wynn. The 1,780-room hotel will be Mirage Resorts' first new property outside Clark County, Nevada and will set a new standard for gaming properties in the South.

Not only will delegates see this exciting new property; they will experience an area that tourism officials describe as one of the most amazing developments in tourism this century.

George Smith of the Mississippi Tourism Division said,

### Bluegrass Festival is April 8-10

The Bluegrass Festival will take place April 8-10 at the Greene County Rural Events Center in Leakesville.

Eleven top bluegrass bands have been scheduled for the Two Rivers Bluegrass Festival, Heritage and Forestry Expo.

The three-day event, planned to start Thursday night, will begin with area host bands jammin'. Friday will feature an all gospel stage show by featured bands, and Saturday's music will start at 1 p.m. with stage shows by featured bands.

The bands include national and Mississippi bands with such names as The Larry Stephenson Band, Southland and Tim Graves and Cherokee.

For information, contact Berrie Sullivan, promoter of the event, at (601) 544-7676; Scharlotte Fortinberry at (601) 394-2379 or Shelba Hicks at (601) 394-2377.



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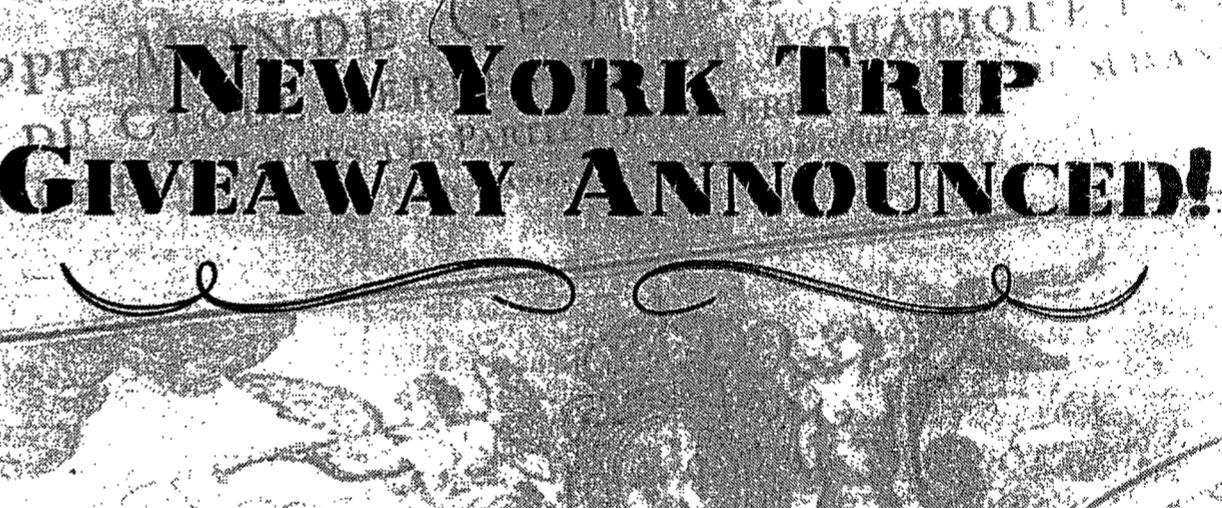
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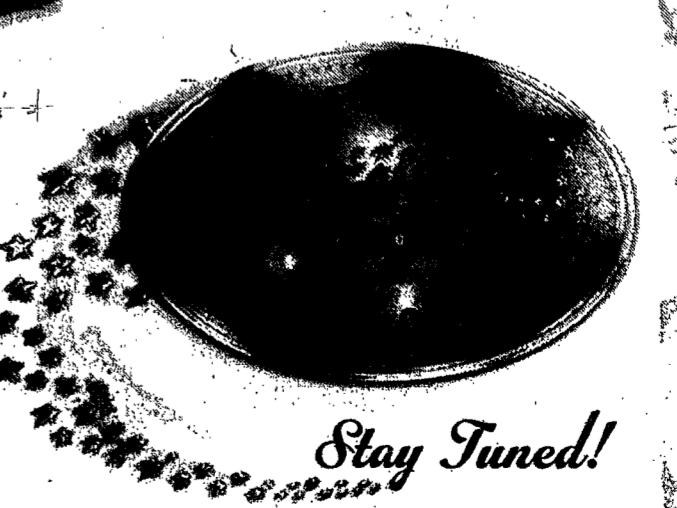
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## HOROSCOPES

February 21-27

**ARIES** — March 21/April 20

A lot of people are depending on you when it comes to a business decision this week, Aries. Don't just think about yourself. You need to consider what is best for everyone involved — even if that means making some compromises when it comes to what you want. Gemini plays an important role.

**TAURUS** — April 21/May 21

You have a lot on your mind, Taurus. Don't get stressed out about everything. Stay calm, and try to organize your schedule. You have a lot to do, but you can get it all done if you prioritize things. If you're still nervous, talk to a trusted loved one. He or she is sure to calm you down.

**GEMINI** — May 22/June 21

Try to take it easy this week, Gemini. You've been busy for quite a while. Now that you have a break, enjoy yourself. Spend some time with friends, and just relax. You deserve it. A close friend needs your help with a personal problem. Be supportive, and do whatever you can for him or her.

**CANCER** — June 22/July 22

Don't get down on yourself for a minor mistake at work. It could have happened to anyone, and no serious consequences came from it. Just relax, and move on. That special someone has a surprise for you. Don't accept it if you're having second thoughts about the relationship. Think about what you really want.

**LEO** — July 23/August 23

You get caught in the middle of a disagreement between business associates early in the week, Leo. While you don't want to get involved, you have no choice. Help these co-workers to see both sides of the situation and work toward a compromise. It's not going to be easy, but you can do it. Capricorn plays an important role.

**VIRGO** — Aug 24/Sept 22

While you want to be alone this week, you're not going to get your wish. During the day, several co-workers need your help with a project, and a loved one monopolizes your time during the evening. Be there for all of them; it's all you can do. However, don't get frustrated; they'll leave you alone by the end of the week.

**LIBRA** — Sept 23/Oct 23

While you like to be in charge, that's not how things work early in the week. Let the more qualified person take control when it comes to a business problem. Pay attention to his or her actions, and learn from the situation.

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## The "WORD" for the Week

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Psalm 103:1 exhorts, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name." Can we really bless God?

To bless means to praise or to speak well of someone. When we eulogize a friend at a funeral, we speak well of that person. This is the root meaning of the term.

It should be easy for us to bless and praise God. Psalm 103:2 goes on to say, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits."

There are everyday tangible blessings. "To the snow He says, 'Fall on the earth,' and to the downpour and the rain, 'Be strong.' (Job 37:6). "He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, and vegetation for the labor of man, so that he may bring forth food from the earth" (Psalm 104:14).



### Attend choir rally

The United Main Street Methodist Fellowship group recently attended the Teen Mania's "Acquire the Fire," a two-day Christian revival for teenagers in Baton Rouge. Among those attending were, from left, Elisah Sterling, youth leader; Beth Keith, youth leader; Lacey Jackson, Katy Bavenutti, Tammy Estapa, Coarie Matthews, Breema Conaway, Melissa Estapa, Gene Moran, youth leader, and Shawn Moran.

### Main Street youth attend youth rally in Baton Rouge

Youth from the United Methodist Youth Fellowship group of Main Street United Methodist Church recently attended Teen Mania's "Acquire the Fire," a two-day Christian revival for teenagers in Baton Rouge.

The group currently includes youth from Bay-Waveland public schools, Hancock High School, Our Lady Academy and St. Stanislaus.

Main Street United Methodist Church also has a youth choir that meets just prior to the youth group meetings.

Participation in the choir is also open to all youth in Bay St. Louis and surrounding communities.

Anyone who would like information about these groups may call the church office at 467-4538.

### Diamondhead Methodist plans February events

Diamondhead United Methodist Church has been serving the homeless at the Seashore Mission in Biloxi by night "watchstanding" four cold nights in January and February and serving the evening meals.

Some 21 of the outreach team members also prepared, donated and served Sunday dinner to 71 people. Several members work at the Hancock Food Pantry twice monthly, taking the food collected on Food Pantry Sunday, the first Sunday of each month.

DUMC had Ash Wednesday service Feb. 17. On Jan. 31 the church had "Soup-er Bowl" Sunday where the Super Bowl was viewed on the big screen.

### BIRTHS

#### FORREST BOGART MAKEPEACE GIBSON

Mark S. Gibson and Dyah Wilson of Ocean Springs announce the birth of their first child, Forrest Bogart Makepeace, February 6, 1999 at 2:20 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Ed and Yvonne Wilson of Ocean Springs.

Paternal grandparents are Peggy Lynch of Jacksonville, Fla. and James Byron Gibson.

Great-grandparents are Walter Hoops and Lola Mae Bryant.

#### TAIA LAYNE CUEVAS

Tiffany Necaise and Roland Cuevas of Kiln announce the birth of their first child, Taia Layne, February 6, 1999 at 9:33 a.m. at Garden Park Hospital in Gulfport.

She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are

Dale and Karen Necaise of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Roland "Boobie" and Lethia Cuevas of Picayune.

Great-grandparents include Lugs and Jean Necaise of Kiln, Carolyn Adam of Bay St. Louis and the late Clayton Adam, and Annie Cuevas of Picayune.

Great-great-grandmother is Birdie M. Ladner of Kiln.

#### KENNEDY MYA HALL

Kythe Smith and Bridget Hall of Waveland, announce the birth of their third child, Kennedy Mya, February 1, 1999 at 8:08 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

Kennedy weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

#### KELSEY CLAY KOLBERG

Andrea Del Hopper and Kelley (K.C.) C. Kolberg of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of a daughter, Kelsey Clay, January 27, 1999, at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell.

She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are

### In praise of God

There are spiritual blessings. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3).

Ephesians 1:3 adds, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ."

Our praise stems from blessings God bestows daily. "Bless the Lord, O my soul."

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This week's clue: B equals R

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93 Yard Sale

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CHEVY ASTRO VAN EXT., '91. Excellent condition, rides great. A/C, power, cruise control, V-6, \$4,950. Call 467-3706 M-F.

147 Apt. For Rent

UNFURNISHED APT. FOR RENT: One bedroom, has stove, ref, located 208 Carroll Ave., Apt. 'G', B.S.L. No lease, \$300.00 + \$300.00 deposit. 228-467-5662 or 228-467-4613.

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148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT, Kiln area. 255-5529.

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3 BEDROOM HOME, \$600 month, \$600 deposit. 467-6501.

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1-BR W/DECK, ON WATER, CENT. A/H, kitchen appliances, washer/dryer hook-ups. In Shoreline Park near I-10 and Hwy 90. \$460/month plus 1 month dep. required. 467-4138.

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

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150 Unfurn. Houses For Rent

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## Houses For Rent

## 151 Furn. Houses For Rent

1 BEDROOM HOUSE FOR RENT, Kiln area. References required. 255-5529.

## 156 Lots/Acreage

BUILDING LOT FOR SALE: 100x150, Esplanade Ave., \$20,000. 466-9017 day, 466-0907 evenings.

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## 159 Houses For Sale

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## Public Notice

IN THE STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD OF MISSISSIPPI DOCKET NO. 50-99-546

## PUBLIC NOTICE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIED PROPERTY OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 15 WEST, CATAHOULA CREEK FIELD, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

Please take notice that beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 17, 1999, at the hearing room of the State Oil and Gas Board, 500 Graymont Avenue, Suite 200, Jackson, Mississippi, the State Oil and Gas Board will hear the Petition of Solant Exploration Company, Inc., d/b/a Solant Energy, Inc., 1000 N. 1st Street, Suite 100, Waveland, MS, for a zoning variance on the above described 40-acre gas drilling unit, and for integration of all interests therein.

A copy of said Amended Petition is on file in the office of the State Oil and Gas Board, 500 Graymont Avenue, Suite 200, Jackson, Mississippi, and may be there examined by any person interested. At said hearing all interested persons may appear and be heard.

You are advised the Board may adopt orders concerning a Petition which may differ from the relief requested by the Petitioner and the Board will enter such order or orders as in its judgment may be appropriate in the public interest. The Petitioner may file a Petition for rehearing on or before the 15th day of April, 1999.

MISSISSIPPI STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD BY: WALTER BOONE State Oil and Gas Supervisor 2/21/99



## Attended tournament

St. Stanislaus High School participated in the Mississippi Science and Mathematics Tournament at Mississippi College Feb. 4-5, including, front row from left, Daniel Osorno, Denny Li, Jordan Blaize, D'Mitre Sofianos and Andres Osorno; back row, Edward Flores, Jonathan Gagnon, Marc Cerisier, David Oliver, Patrick Lee, Mike Giardino and Mr. Jim Triffley.

## Mississippi College hosts 25th Science and Mathematics Tournament

Mississippi College became the center of academic competition Feb. 4-5 as approximately 1,600 of Mississippi's brightest students convened on the MC campus for the 25th annual Mississippi Science and Mathematics Tournament. Students from the local area were among the participants.

Sponsored by the departments of biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and computer science at Mississippi College, the tournament recognizes students and their high schools for outstanding achievement in these fields of study.

This year's competition drew students from approximately 170 different public and private schools throughout the state.

"This is our 25th year to host the tournament and participation continued to be strong. We are very pleased that we had

students from schools across Mississippi to compete," said Dr. Jerry Cannon, professor of chemistry at Mississippi College and tournament coordinator.

This was more than just a competition, as academic scholarships to Mississippi College were awarded to the winning students. The tournament featured both individual and team competition.

Individual participants took one-hour written exams in math, biology, chemistry, physics, and computer science with each student able to compete in two of the five areas. Students in the top one percent of each category received a \$2,000 scholarship, while students in the top two percent received a \$1,500 scholarship and those placing in the top three percent received \$1,000.

The top 10 percent in each di-

sion also received \$500 scholarships. The top 20 percent received \$300 scholarships. Each of the scholarships is renewable provided the student maintains a high academic average after entering Mississippi College.

Team competitors also vied for trophies, with the teams divided into three divisions depending on the student enrollment and the curriculum offered in science, mathematics and computer science by the individual schools.

Teams composed of four members each competed in a quiz-type format, where questions were flashed on a screen and quick calculations and responses were required, using only pencil and paper.

Students were also able to participate in a computer programming competition as part of the day's challenging activities.



## In competition

Students from Our Lady Academy participated in the Mississippi Science and Mathematics Tournament at Mississippi College Feb. 4-5, including, front from left, Nina Crain, Erin Bourg, Terry Fulford and Leslie Easher; back row, Patricia Williams, Olivia Willis, Hazel Paget, Sarah Luster, Lauren Hansell and Megan Pigott.

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# Mardi Gras kids

*St. Clare, Coast Episcopal,  
Bay Catholic celebrate*



(Above) Even the cool and wet weather couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of Bay Catholic students as they paraded through Bay St. Louis in their annual Mardi Gras parade. (Right) The younger students from Bay Catholic were in high spirits as they threw tons of beads and trinkets during the Mardi Gras parade. (Echo staff photos by B.R. Hawkins)



(Top right) St. Clare fifth grader Donnie Haller's float, even doubled as a hat. (Above) Barbie sits regally atop St. Clare first grader Amanda Ginn's float, decorated in traditional Mardi Gras colors of purple, green and gold.



St. Clare School in Waveland took their annual "shoebox" parade to Coleman Avenue this year. Pre-K student Brett Disher carried his gold float as he handed out beads to the crowd. (Echo staff photos by Betsy Gagnet)



The Bay Catholic 1999 Honor Guard answered the call of 'Throw me something' with beads and other items. (Echo staff photo by B.R. Hawkins)



The annual Coast Episcopal Preschool parade in Bay St. Louis rolled last Friday. Cowboy Noah Anderson waves and throws beads to the crowd. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)



Following a Mardi Gras toast, the preschoolers tossed beads by the handfuls to students in the lower school. From left, Anne Elise Fontaine, teacher Janice Caridad, Dylan Favre, Karin Meyer, Robbie Northridge and Karen Hightower. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)



To the surprise and delight of parade goers, the preschoolers, including "Superman" Connor Wylie threw bananas when all the beads were gone. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)